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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Jewel
4 Veronica Kelley, who passed away on March 10, 2016; and

5 WHEREAS, Jewel Kelley was born on October 13, 1975; her
6 parents were Bernice Kelley and Jesse Brooks; and

7 WHEREAS, Jewel Kelley was born and raised in Chicago, where
8 she attended Carver Middle School and graduated from Carver
9 Area High School in 1993; she went on to attend Grambling State
10 University in Louisiana, where she studied Criminal Justice and
11 graduated Cum Laude in December of 1996; she subsequently
12 earned a Master of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from Loyola
13 University in Chicago in 2005; and

14 WHEREAS, Jewel Kelley was a respected member of the United
15 States Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of
16 the Inspector General in the Chicago office from 1998 to 2005
17 and the Indianapolis, Indiana office from 2005 to 2008; during
18 her time with the Department of Housing and Urban Development,
19 she served as the Victim/Witness Coordinator for the Midwest,
20 arranging the relocation of victims and witnesses of violent
21 crimes who aided the Department in Operation Safe Home, a
22 proactive effort to minimize violent criminal activity in

1 public housing developments, largely focused in and around
2 Chicago; and

3 WHEREAS, In October of 2008, Jewel Kelley left the
4 Department of Housing and Urban Development to pursue a more
5 challenging assignment as a Special Agent with the Naval
6 Criminal Investigative Service in Washington, D.C.; while
7 assigned to the Washington, D.C. Field Office, she pursued
8 advanced training in counterintelligence activities; in August
9 of 2013, she transferred to the Far East Field Office in
10 Yokosuka, Japan to work on counterintelligence operations and
11 investigations; she later moved to the Northeast Field Office
12 in Great Lakes in June of 2014; while in Great Lakes, she was
13 assigned to the Chicago Joint Terrorism Task Force, where she
14 served as a Task Force Officer with the Federal Bureau of
15 Investigation working sensitive counterterrorism
16 investigations in the United States; and

17 WHEREAS, Jewel Kelley was the loving mother of Bryson
18 Harper Smith; the sister of Gail, Dail, Linda, Rosie, Sharon,
19 Lou Stella, Albert, Marvin, Melvin, Jesse Jr., and Jeffery; and
20 the aunt, cousin, niece, and friend of many; and

21 WHEREAS, Jewel Kelley's contributions to the safety and
22 security of both military and civilian personnel in the United
23 States and abroad cannot be overstated and she will be dearly

1 missed by those who had the privilege of knowing her;
2 therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
5 we, along with her family and friends, mourn the passing of
6 Jewel Veronica Kelley; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of Jewel Kelley as an expression of our
9 sympathy.