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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
- 3 Representatives wish to express their sincere condolences to
- 4 the family and friends of Ollie Mae Sargent, who passed away
- on February 28, 2002; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Ollie Mae Dabbs was born on November 1, 1923 in
- 7 Dorsey, Mississippi to the union on Thomas Dabbs, Sr. and
- 8 Estella Dabbs; she was the wife of Collie Sargent, who
- 9 preceded her in death; to this union, eight children were
- 10 born; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Sargent graduated from Carver High School
- in Tupelo, Mississippi in May 1943; she attended Rush College
- in Holly Springs, Mississippi, where she obtained her
- 14 teaching certificate; she later taught school in Marks
- 15 Saltillo and Lee County, Mississippi; when she moved to East
- 16 St. Louis, Illinois, she worked as the director of Community
- 17 Center in the South End at Lucas Elementary School; while
- 18 working there, she received many professional certificates
- 19 from the Washington University School of Social Work; she
- later accepted a position as a teacher's aide at East St.
- 21 Louis High School in District 189 until her retirement; in
- 22 addition, she was the chairman of the board of Denverside
- 23 Redevelopment; and
- 24 WHEREAS, The passing of Ollie Mae Sargent will be deeply
- 25 felt by all who knew and loved her, especially her children,
- Orleta Joyce Wilson, Charity Ann (Eric) Johnson, Jimmie
- 27 Collie, John Eric (Deborah), Shirley Kay (Lemar) Coleman,
- 28 Charles (JoAnn) Peterson, and Pamela Marie Sargent; her
- 29 mother, Estella Dabbs; her brothers and sisters, Thomas
- 30 Dabbs, Jr., Jessie S. Dabbs, Iona Williams, Sherlean Hudson,
- 31 Isom Dabbs, and Annie L. (Ernest) Williams; her
- 32 grandchildren, Michael, Angela (John), Orleta, LaShyral,

- 1 Courtney, Whitney, Erika, Sharice, Brandon, Aaron, and
- Johnna; her great-grandchildren, DeMarco, Michele, Elisha,
- 3 and John; her nieces and nephews; and her other relatives and
- friends; she was preceded in death by her son, Rufus Monel;
- 5 therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 7 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 8 we mourn, along with all who knew her, the death of Ollie Mae
- 9 Sargent of East St. Louis, Illinois; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to the family of Ollie Mae Sargent with our sincere
- 12 condolences.