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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Melvin Alexander, Sr. of Chicago, who passed away on January 10, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, Melvin Alexander, Sr. was born on January 23, 1932, in Chicago, the son of Carmelia and William Alexander; he was a graduate of Wendell Phillips High School in Chicago; he received further education in California, specializing in the area of law enforcement; and

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WHEREAS, He was baptized at the Canaan Baptist Church by the late Reverend Essex Elijah Franklin; and

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WHEREAS, He served in the United States Army and was a decorated Artillery Sergeant in the Korean War; he served for 33 years with the Chicago Police Department, served the city of Chicago as Special Detail to the late Mayor Harold Washington, and subsequently as Executive Director of the Office of Municipal Investigations; and

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WHEREAS, He later served Cook County as Director of the Child Support Enforcement Division of the Sheriff's Department until his retirement; and

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1           WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his sister, Geraldine  
2 Floyd; his brother, Leslie Alexander, Sr.; and his son, Melvin  
3 Alexander, Jr.; and

4           WHEREAS, Melvin Alexander, Sr. is survived by his  
5 daughters, Angela Holbrook (Frank) and Aileen Gay (Derrick);  
6 his sons, Anthony and Michael (Rosemary); his sisters,  
7 Elverneece A. Moore and Norma J. Cantrell; his sister-in-law,  
8 Yolanda Alexander; his 17 grandchildren; his 17  
9 great-grandchildren; his nieces, nephews, other relatives, and  
10 friends; therefore, be it

11           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
12 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
13 we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of  
14 Melvin Alexander, Sr.; and be it further

15           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
16 presented to the family of Melvin Alexander, Sr. as a symbol of  
17 our sincere sympathy.