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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are deeply
3 saddened to learn of the death of Naval Petty Officer, Gunners
4 Mate 2nd Class Dion Rashun Roberts, who passed away on
5 September 22, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Petty Officer Roberts was born on April 3, 1987,
7 to John and Janice Roberts of North Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Petty Officer Roberts graduated from North
9 Chicago Community High School in 2005; he participated in
10 numerous sports and was NJROTC all 4 years of high school; he
11 was a member of St. John Missionary Baptist Church in Waukegan;
12 and

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WHEREAS, Petty Officer Roberts joined the Navy upon
14 graduating from high school; he underwent basic training at
15 Recruit Training Command Great Lakes; he was killed while
16 serving his country in Jalaabad, Afghanistan, in support of
17 Operation Enduring Freedom; and

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WHEREAS, Petty Officer Roberts was preceded in death by his
19 grandfather, David Huggins; his uncle, Alphonso Ball; and his
20 aunt, Kandi Williams; and

1 WHEREAS, Petty Officer Roberts is survived by his parents,
2 John and Janice Roberts; his sister, Jaleesa Roberts; his
3 nephew, Jeremiah Roberts; his grandmothers, Anna Mae Bell and
4 Joan Huggins; his aunts, Virginia Henley, Helen (Timothy)
5 Clark, and Sherri (Steve) Sullivan; his uncles, William
6 (Joanne) Jenkins and David Huggins; a host of great aunts,
7 cousins, and friends; his God sister, Sheena Adams; his God
8 brother, Vincent Adams; and a special friend, Jamie Plecker;
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
12 Petty Officer Roberts, and we extend our sincere condolences to
13 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Petty Officer Roberts
16 and his willingness to serve his country, which led to him
17 making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to the family of Petty Officer Roberts as an
20 expression of our deepest sympathy.