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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Robert C. Barksdale of Chicago, who passed away on May 15, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Barksdale was born in Sallis, Mississippi to Charlie Davis and Virginia Roby Barksdale on January 4, 1940; his family moved to Chicago in 1957; he married Emogene Wilder at Greater Harvest Missionary Baptist Church in 1960, but they separated in 1975; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Barksdale worked for General Motors for over five years, Evanston Hospital for 20 years, Virginia Executive Building Maintenance for 20 years, and George's and Ashland Foods for over 10 years; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Barksdale enjoyed talking with people, playing cards, dancing, taking Sunday car rides, listening to music, repairing old cars, and cooking; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Barksdale met Sheila Gaines in 2002 and from that point on they were inseparable; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Barksdale was preceded in death by his parents; his granddaughter, Dhiaa; his brother, David; and his

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1 sisters, Malinda and Darlene; and

2 WHEREAS, Robert Barksdale is survived by his wife, Emogene;
3 his daughters, Gloria, Hakeema (Clifford), Sadiqua, and
4 Mumina; his sons, Rahim and B.J.; his grandchildren, Wesley,
5 Waraka, Arnirah, Temilade, Haziq, Hana, Jamia, Gerald, Cameel,
6 Jamar, Sabeeyah, Hajarrah, Hannah, Aaasim, and Musawwir; his
7 great-granddaughters, Amoni and Amiya; his brothers, John,
8 Frank (Rosemary), Timothy, Gerry, James, and Ricky; his
9 sisters, Susie, Lucille, Derotha, Billie, Adele, Odele
10 (Louis), Charlene, Theresa (Rodney), Sylvia, and Dyann; and
11 numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, and friends;
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
15 Robert C. Barksdale, and extend our sincere condolences to his
16 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
17 further

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