1   SENATE RESOLUTION

2   WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to

3   learn of the death of Barbara Yvonne "Rabbit" Oliver, who

4   passed away on August 8, 2017; and

5   WHEREAS, Barbara Oliver was born in Chicago to Earl and Eva

6   Wallace on August 6, 1948; she was baptized at an early age and

7   was a member of Holy Family Church in Chicago; she attended

8   Crane High School and was professionally trained as a vocalist

9   at Harold Washington College; she majored in early childhood

10   development at Roosevelt University, which led to a teaching

11   position at the ABLA Day Care Center; she married John Quincy

12   Oliver Jr. on May 11, 1968; and

13   WHEREAS, Barbara Oliver had a natural artistic flare, which

14   was evident in her poetry, still life artwork, and murals; she

15   designed custom greeting cards and logos; she taught herself

16   how to play the piano while also inspiring children to do the

17   same; she had a great love of children and dreamed of being a

18   foster parent; and

19   WHEREAS, Barbara Oliver was kind, patient, understanding,

20   caring, nurturing, and supportive; and

21   WHEREAS, Barbara Oliver was preceded in death by her

1   parents; and her close friend, Delores; and

2   WHEREAS, Barbara Oliver is survived by her daughter,
3   Felicia "Lisa" Oliver; her sister, Beverly Harris; her brother
4   "Jimmy" (Jewell) Wallace; her nephew, Dana (Tammy) Harris; her
5   great nephews, Kylan Harris, Kameron Harris, and Kendel Harris;
6   her niece, Danielle Wallace; her adopted niece, Janita; and her
7   adopted nephew, Turon; and her close friends Lois and Loretta;
8   therefore, be it

9   RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
11 Barbara Yvonne Oliver, and extend our sincere condolences to
12 her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
13 further

14   RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of Barbara Oliver as an expression of
16 our deepest sympathy.