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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to
3 learn of the death of Dolores Shirley Sellers Williams; and

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WHEREAS, Dolores Williams was born in Chicago to Iona
5 Morgan Sellers Brunson and Tommy Sellers on April 1, 1930; she
6 grew up on the West Side of Chicago and attended Grant Tennyson
7 Elementary School and Lucy Flowers High School; she was a
8 member of St. Stephens AME Church and married Richard Williams
9 Sr. on October 31, 1950; and

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WHEREAS, Dolores Williams worked as a parent community
11 representative for the local school system for over 25 years;
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WHEREAS, Dolores Williams was affectionately known as
14 "Doe" and enjoyed telling jokes to her family and friends; she
15 fostered many children in the neighborhood with meals, trips to
16 her country home in Cassopolis, and with the sharing of wise
17 words; she had a passion for nature and gardening, and loved
18 planting flowers, fruits, and vegetables; she enjoyed fishing
19 trips with her aunt, Juanita, and spending time with her
20 grandchildren; she attended every birthday, graduation,
21 ceremony, and celebration; and

1 WHEREAS, Dolores Williams and Richard enjoyed taking
2 family trips to places such as San Diego, Lake Ivanhoe in
3 Wisconsin, and Cassopolis, Michigan; and

4 WHEREAS, Dolores Williams was preceded in death by her
5 husband of 66 years, Richard; her father, Tommy Sellers; her
6 mother, Iona Morgan Sellers Brunson; her siblings, Carlos,
7 Donald, Barbara, Arlene, and Pierre; her daughter, Deborah
8 Jackson; and her granddaughter, Dianna Jackson; and

9 WHEREAS, Dolores Williams is survived by her sister,
10 Jeanette Rawls; her aunt, Juanita Kato; her sister-in-law,
11 Minnie Brown; her daughter, Sheila Dorns; her sons, Tyrone
12 (Janice), Richard Jr., Kevin (Victoria), Keith (Pamela), and
13 Vincent (Suzanne) Williams; her grandchildren, Nolentha (Eric)
14 Nichols, Ru-Grandi (Anitri) Dorns, Jareal, Sheverta, Deonna,
15 Bobby, Draper, Jarmoyne (Michael) Brandon, Dominique Duncan,
16 Delores "Mariah", Keith II, Guy, Robin, Richard J. (Yolanda),
17 Jeremy, Lauren, Lorina (Ebony) Nichols, Camella, Elizabeth
18 (Bruce) Kelley, Vincent II, Emily, Antione, and Donyella; 15
19 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews and extended
20 family members, Kim (Michael) Powell, Bernard Wolfe Jr.,
21 Charisse "Sherry" Wolfe, Adrena Williams, Heurton II, Kenneth,
22 Lynn, and Tony Brown, Leon, Aaron, Rhoda, and Elaine Williams,
23 Willie, Donald, Pat, and Andy Box, and Edwina (Anthony) McGee;
24 and her best friends, Mildred Hill, Helene Goss, and Johnnie

1 Cole; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
4 Dolores Shirley Sellers Williams, and extend our sincere
5 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved
6 her; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of Dolores Williams as an expression of
9 our deepest sympathy.