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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 Michael Walter "Train" Butler, who passed away on August 10, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Butler was born in Savannah, Georgia to Walter Homan Butler Jr. and Shirley Marie Darensbourg-Butler on February 18, 1952; he attended Rudyard Kipling Elementary School and graduated from Harlan High School; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Butler was a hard worker and had many jobs and roles; when he was employed by the Illinois Juvenile Detention Center in St. Charles, he met and married Valerie Denise Thomas; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Butler was committed to his faith; he was baptized Catholic but later became a member of Gayles Memorial Baptist Church in Aurora, where he served until he moved back to Chicago; he then joined the Apostolic Church of God; he enjoyed reading, listening to music, playing musical instruments, politics, debating, watching the Chicago Cubs, cooking, and making the best pitchers of Kool-Aid; he valued the time he spent with his family and friends; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Butler was preceded in death by his

1 parents; and his brothers, Walter, Gary, Keith, and Craig
2 Butler; and

3 WHEREAS, Michael Butler is survived by his daughters,
4 Tamika (Daryl) Primer, Jasmine Thomas, Zakia Thomas, and
5 Shirley-Marie Butler; his son, Antwan Enoch; his brother, Eric
6 (Katrina); his grandchildren, Brittney, Kyle, Zionna, Zayda,
7 Javen, and Josiah; and his nieces, nephews, cousins, and many
8 friends; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
10 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
11 we mourn the passing of Michael Walter "Train" Butler and
12 extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all
13 who knew and loved him; and be it further

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