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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Ida Grace  
4 Dotson of Chicago, who passed away on October 6, 2020; and

5           WHEREAS, Ida Dotson was born to the late Percy and Bessie  
6 Carter in Russellville, Alabama on January 30, 1924; she was  
7 the youngest of six children, all of whom have preceded her in  
8 death; she moved from Alabama to Gary, Indiana at an early age  
9 and attended Froebel School; in 1949, she married her lifelong  
10 partner Leroy Dotson; they were together until his death in  
11 2011; and

12           WHEREAS, Upon moving to Chicago, Ida Dotson worked for  
13 several years at Western Electric, Ritholds Glasses, and  
14 Illinois Bell before becoming a full-time homemaker; and

15           WHEREAS, Ida Dotson committed to her faith at an early age;  
16 she joined Greater Harvest Missionary Baptist Church under the  
17 pastoral leadership of the late Reverend Louis Boddie, where  
18 she sang in the choir and was a member of the Beacon light  
19 club; after the death of Reverend Boddie, she and several of  
20 her friends started a weekly bible study in her home that was  
21 known as the Universal Prayer Band; she then began attending  
22 the Bright Star Church of God in Christ; there, she served as a

1 church mother, a missionary, a Sunday school teacher, and as a  
2 pastor's aide; in addition to serving her local church, she  
3 served at the district and state level; she was a licensed  
4 missionary and evangelist within the Sixth Ecclesiastical  
5 Jurisdiction of Illinois of the COGIC; and

6 WHEREAS, Ida Dotson is survived by her son, Pastor Timothy  
7 (Jenise); her three grandchildren, Timothy Jr., Tiffany  
8 Dotson-Cage (Zerome), and Troy; her three great-grandchildren,  
9 Zechariah, Zaiden, and Zander Cage; her sister-in-law, Mary  
10 Carter; and her host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends;  
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
13 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
14 we mourn the passing of Ida Grace Dotson and extend our sincere  
15 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
16 her; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to the family of Ida Dotson as an expression of our  
19 deepest sympathy.