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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 Eddie Lee  
4 Jackson Sr. of East St. Louis, who passed away on December 18,  
5 2020; and

6           WHEREAS, Eddie Jackson was born to Aaron Jackson and Fannie  
7 Mae Jackson in Canalou, Missouri on July 14, 1949; he graduated  
8 from East St. Louis Senior High School in 1967; he married  
9 Pearlie Mae Rich in October of 1969; he attended Southern  
10 Illinois University Edwardsville where he became a member of  
11 Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. and earned a bachelor's degree  
12 in Education and later a master's degree focused on City  
13 Planning; and

14           WHEREAS, Eddie Jackson started his political career in East  
15 St. Louis in the early 1970s and served on the East St. Louis  
16 City Council for more than 30 years; after retiring from East  
17 St. Louis School district 189 where he was a science teacher  
18 and gifted administrator, he served in the Illinois House of  
19 Representatives for 8 years, from 2009 to 2017, representing  
20 the 114th District; and

21           WHEREAS, Eddie attended Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist  
22 Church and was a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. for

1 more than 50 years; he was a gentle, kind, and quiet man who  
2 taught his family to lead by example; he was a mentor to many  
3 and worked throughout his life to make East St. Louis a better  
4 place for all; and

5 WHEREAS, Eddie Jackson was preceded in death by his mother;  
6 his father; his sister, Bernice Vales; his grandson, Tramell  
7 Jackson; and his granddaughter, Andersen Elise Hicks; and

8 WHEREAS, Eddie Jackson is survived by his loving wife,  
9 Pearlle; his two children, Eddie (Shantell) Jackson Jr. and  
10 Emeka (Demarius) Jackson-Hicks; and his host of grandchildren,  
11 great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews; 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 Eddie Lee Jackson Sr. and extend our  
15 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew  
16 and loved him; and be it further

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