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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Landon "Walk" Walker Jr., who passed away on January 8, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Landon Walker was born to Landon Walker Sr. and Arthalia Miller Walker in Waterford, Mississippi on February 8, 1940; he attended Landon Elementary School, which was built by his father to serve the Laws Hills, Mississippi community; he went to Rust College in Holly Springs, Mississippi for one year; he married Bobra Jean Falkner on February 1, 1959; and

WHEREAS, Landon Walker worked various jobs across a number of industries, including steel, public transportation, and state government; he owned and operated a painting and construction business, a hand car wash, a delivery and messenger truck service, and a school bus company; he also worked at a local family-owned business named Falkner Bumper; and

WHEREAS, Landon Walker began working as assistant superintendent for the City of Harvey Public Works Department in 1982; he was eventually appointed to superintendent, and he served in that role until his retirement in 1995; while in retirement, he became a part-time bus driver for Beckham

1 School Transit Company and later for Alltown; and

2 WHEREAS, Landon Walker was politically involved and served  
3 as precinct captain of Harvey; he ran for city commissioner  
4 and alderman in Harvey; he also helped local candidates with  
5 their political campaigns; and

6 WHEREAS, Landon Walker committed to his faith at a young  
7 age and attended New Hope Missionary Baptist Church in Laws  
8 Hills, Mississippi as a child; he was an active member of  
9 Christ Temple Baptist Church in Markham, where he became a  
10 member in 1967 and served in the usher ministry; and

11 WHEREAS, Landon Walker enjoyed helping youth and adults in  
12 his community with employment opportunities or simply  
13 providing them with a family atmosphere; and

14 WHEREAS, Landon Walker was preceded in death by his wife;  
15 his parents; his sister, Azelle Alexander; and his brothers,  
16 Lannie Cummings, Russell Walker, Asa Walker, Leslie Walker,  
17 and George Walker; and

18 WHEREAS, Landon Walker is survived by his children, Brenda  
19 (Davis) Mason, Ricky (Bridgett) Walker-Abdul Baari, Perry  
20 (Iris) Walker, Kerry L. (Andria) Walker, and Kanefus Walker;  
21 his 12 grandchildren; his 21 great-grandchildren; his

1 siblings, Eldridge (Deborah) Walker, McEwen (Urma) Walker, and  
2 Hattie Marion; his sisters-in-law, Mattie Walker, Ella  
3 Washington, Wheelock Patrick, Sarah Summerville, and Mary  
4 Falkner; his brother-in-law, Kent Falkner; his special  
5 cousins, Beatrice Miller-Peete, Robert Finley, and Charlie  
6 Walker; his niece, Fronnie Echols; and a host of other nieces,  
7 nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends; therefore, be  
8 it

9       RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
10 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
11 we mourn the passing of Landon "Walk" Walker Jr. and extend our  
12 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew  
13 and loved him; and be it further

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