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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Leah A.  
4 Walker, who passed away on August 25, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Leah Walker was born to Rudolph and Lois  
6 Armstrong in Chicago on February 22, 1942; she graduated from  
7 Hyde Park High School in 1960; she married Alfonza McKinnor on  
8 April 19, 1961; and

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WHEREAS, Leah Walker worked as an operating room  
technician, but her true passion was her cooking and baking;  
she could make a meal out of anything and left her children  
with the world's greatest potato salad and meatball stew  
recipes; and

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WHEREAS, Leah Walker also had a love for reading, which  
contributed to the uniqueness of her children's names; there  
was nothing she liked better than gathering with family and  
friends, as well as watching classic movies; and

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WHEREAS, Leah Walker's caring heart and compassionate  
spirit were personified through her service as a caregiver;  
while serving in that capacity, she met John Walker, whom she  
married on October 10, 1990; and

1           WHEREAS, Leah Walker displayed courage and resilience  
2 throughout her life; she cared deeply about the equality and  
3 advancement of women's rights and will be especially  
4 remembered for her quick wit, upbeat spirit, and deep faith;  
5 she was adored and loved by all who knew her; and

6           WHEREAS, Leah Walker was preceded in death by her husband,  
7 John; her parents; her brother, Richard Armstrong Sr.; and her  
8 nephew, Richard Armstrong Jr.; and

9           WHEREAS, Leah Walker is survived by her children,  
10 Greshynka, Rommel (Latresha), Thrishka, Keisha, and Neitzche  
11 (Petrina); her bonus son, Brandon (Brandi); her grandchildren,  
12 Jonathan, Shenice, Jillian, Jason, Jibri, Kiara, Marcus,  
13 Jammie, and Nasir; her bonus grandchildren, Jazmen, Jayla,  
14 Brianna, and Bryce; nine great-grandchildren; her niece,  
15 Elizabeth Armstrong; and numerous cousins, relatives, and  
16 friends; therefore, be it

17           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
18 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
19 we mourn the passing of Leah A. Walker and extend our sincere  
20 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
21 her; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to the family of Leah Walker as an expression of our  
3 deepest sympathy.