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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened 3 to learn of the death of Harvey "Junior" Michael Smith Jr. of 4 Chicago, who passed away on February 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Harvey Smith was born to Harvey and Mary Smith in Chicago on March 1, 1960; as a child, he attended St. Mel Catholic Church, where he committed to his faith; as a teenager, he joined Young Life Ministry and traveled to various states for outreach activities; as a young adult, he attended Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church; later in life, he recommitted to his faith; he attended Delano Elementary School and Lawrence Upper Grade Center and graduated from Orr Academy High School; and

WHEREAS, Harvey Smith had many gifts and talents; he was known as the walking calculator because he could do mathematical computations quickly in his head; he enjoyed food, music, dancing, watching Jeopardy, watching basketball and football, and playing cards; he had a beautiful smile and a compliment for every woman he met; he loved spending time with his family and his second family, the Roseberry; and

WHEREAS, Harvey Smith was preceded in death by his father, Harvey G. Smith; his stepfather, Hearest Cathey; his paternal

- 1 grandparents, Leroy and Irene Smith; his maternal
- 2 grandparents, John and Rita McCormick; his step-grandparents,
- 3 Lesile and Beulah Cathy; his aunts, Kay, Joan, Rose, Bernice,
- 4 Vermaline, Patsy, and Magdalene; his uncles, Jack, Tommie, and
- 5 LeRoy; and his cousin, Leslie; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Harvey Smith is survived by his mother, Mary
- 7 Smith; his three sisters, Rosemarie Smith-Burch, Rita Sutton,
- 8 and Denise (Reginald Akeem) Berry; his brother, Leo (Estella)
- 9 Smith; his nieces and nephews; and the rest of his family and
- 10 friends; therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 13 Harvey "Junior" Michael Smith Jr. and extend our sincere
- 14 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
- 15 him; and be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to the family of Harvey Smith as an expression of our
- deepest sympathy.