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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Walter Lee Singleton, who passed away on May 7, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Walter Singleton was born to Cary and Denotra Singleton in Carthage, Mississippi on October 27, 1939; he attended elementary and high school in Carthage; he moved to Chicago upon completing high school; he married Bernice McDonald on June 3, 1962, and they were one month from celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary at the time of his passing; together, they raised three children, Shawna, Brock, and Curtis; and

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WHEREAS, Walter Singleton began his career as a computer programmer at Dean's Food; he was a clothing aficionado, always impeccably dressed, and his love for clothes led him on a career trajectory that began with the opening of Clothes and Clothes Boutique in 1983, which was located at 113th and Halsted; after nine successful years, he expanded his business, establishing Brock's For Men in 1992; throughout his career, he was a highly successful and respected businessman who thrived on making people look and feel good; he was a leader in the fashion industry, producing fashion shows in multiple cities that featured one-of-a-kind pieces; his stores

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1 were a staple in the community and cherished by the loyal
2 customers he served; and

3 WHEREAS, Walter Singleton, alongside his wife Bernice,
4 extended their love of educating children beyond teaching
5 their own, starting nursery/kindergarten programs at Bunnyland
6 and Learn As You Grow, which continue to thrive and develop
7 young minds; and

8 WHEREAS, Walter Singleton was a member of the 95th Street
9 Business Association; and

10 WHEREAS, Walter Singleton was deeply committed to his
11 faith from an early age; he was baptized at Pilgrim Rest
12 Baptist Church in Carthage, Mississippi; in Chicago, he
13 attended church regularly; he joined Victory Apostolic Church
14 in Matteson in 1996, where he became a faithful member; and

15 WHEREAS, Walter Singleton loved music; one of his greatest
16 joys was dancing with his wife and daughter at any given
17 moment, and he would even try to carry a tune; and

18 WHEREAS, Walter Singleton was a trailblazer and a
19 visionary; he will be remembered for being a loving father and
20 grandfather; and

1 WHEREAS, Walter Singleton is survived by his wife,
2 Bernice; his daughter, Shawna; his sons, Brock and Curtis
3 (Geneva); his sister, Dorothy Harris; his grandchildren,
4 Kailyn, Brooke, Baron, Aria, Amira, Curtis Jr., Gabrielle,
5 Nathan, and Katrina; his two bonus grandchildren, Danielle and
6 Tracy; his countless relatives and friends; his associates in
7 business and social clubs; and his Victory Apostolic Church
8 family; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
11 Walter Lee Singleton and extend our sincere condolences to his
12 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
13 further

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