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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

members of the Illinois House 2 WHEREAS, The of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Lillian 4 Marie "Lady B" Bonner, who passed away on December 26, 2022; 5 and 6 WHEREAS, Lillian Bonner was born to William and Beatrice 7 Jarrett in Alton on August 19, 1950; she graduated from Alton 8 Senior High School in 1967; she married Charles Edward Bonner 9 at the Greater Mount Olive Church of God in Christ on July 19, 10 1975; and WHEREAS, Lillian Bonner started her career at Illinois 11 12 Youth Center Warrenville in 1983; she retired in 2002, leaving 13 behind a legacy of wisdom, kindness, love, and lifelong 14 friendships; and WHEREAS, Lillian Bonner committed to her faith at an early 15 16 age, and she was a lifelong member of the Great Mount Olive Church of God in Christ; and 17 18 WHEREAS, Lillian Bonner was a fashionista who loved shopping and finding the best bargains, and she regularly 19 20 shopped with friends while visiting Marshalls, TJ Maxx, 21 Macy's, and other stores; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Lillian Bonner was affectionately known as "Nana"
- 2 to her grandchildren; she will be remembered for her
- 3 intelligence, wisdom, undeniable beauty, and beautiful singing
- 4 voice; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Lillian Bonner was preceded in death by her
- 6 husband; her parents; her father-in-law, Bishop William Haven
- Bonner; her mother-in-law, Mother Dorothy Mae Bonner; her
- 8 brother, Lemoyndue Jarrett; and her aunts, uncles, cousins,
- 9 and nephews; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Lillian Bonner is survived by her daughter,
- 11 Natalie Bonner; her granddaughter, Noelle Pryor; her grandson,
- 12 Nathan Bonner-Jones; her siblings, Willa Bennett, William
- Jarrett, and Verrell Harley; her sisters-in-law, Willie Etta
- 14 (Augustus) Wright and Dorothy (Gregory) Jones; her
- 15 goddaughters, Autum Newson, Lisa Jones, LaWonna Berry, and
- 16 Artese Chaney; her chosen sisters, Mary Holland, Christine
- Brannon, Maxine Crim, Glenda Barnes, Rowena Walton, and Ruth
- Green; her many nieces and nephews; and a host of other family
- 19 members, friends, and co-workers; therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 21 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 22 we mourn the passing of Lillian Marie "Lady B" Bonner and

- 1 extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all
- who knew and loved her; and be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 4 presented to the family of Lillian Bonner as an expression of
- 5 our deepest sympathy.