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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 Sandra Jean Booker, who passed away on August 13, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, Sandra Booker was born to Judge A. Booker and Wynona (Bea) Williams-Booker in Coatopa, Alabama on August 19, 1960; she graduated from North Chicago Community High School in 1979; she enrolled in the College of Lake County's Basic Nurse Assistant Training Program in August 1983, earning her CNA license in October 1983; and

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WHEREAS, Sandra Booker began her healthcare career as a CNA at Winchester House in 1983; she then served as a medical assistant at the Chicago Medical School, known today as the Rosalind Franklin School of Medicine; she later served at the Lake County Health Department from 1991 to 2013, where her roles included home health nursing assistant, community health associate, and senior public health assistant; through these positions, she made lasting, impactful relationships with teen mothers at Stepping Together, senior citizens at Home Health, and countless others in the community; after leaving the county, she continued her advocacy as a home-based specialist, a respite care provider, and a self-employed caregiver; and

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1 WHEREAS, Beyond her professional work, Sandra Booker
2 volunteered as an adult probation officer of Lake County for
3 over 20 years and worked as a mentor to young teenagers through
4 My Father's Business; she also remained an active and beloved
5 member of the Lake County Sarcoidosis Support Group; and

6 WHEREAS, Sandra Booker committed to her faith at an early
7 age, joining First Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church in
8 1970 and again in 1995; she served on the Junior Usher Board
9 and later became a preschool-kindergarten Sunday school
10 teacher, a role she held until 2012; she then joined the Way
11 Through the Word Ministry in 2013; and

12 WHEREAS, Sandra Booker was a pillar of the Lake County
13 community, possessing a vibrant personality, a dedication to
14 helping others, and the ability to bring people together; she
15 was affectionately known as "Moo", "San", "Ms. B", "Ms.
16 Booker", "Ms. Waukegan", "Ms. G.L.", and "TeTe San"; her
17 legacy of love, service, and unwavering faith will continue to
18 inspire all who had the privilege of knowing her; and

19 WHEREAS, Sandra Booker was preceded in death by her
20 mother; her maternal grandparents, Jack and Elsie Williams;
21 her paternal grandparents, Alberta Hobbs-Caldwell and Eugene
22 Booker; her brothers, Don Brown, Matt Brown, and Mark D.
23 Booker; her sisters, Linda "Ann" Miller-Quinn, Brenda J.

1 Black-Glover, and Sharon Davis; her godmother, Candace Martin;
2 two uncles; four aunts; and many cousins; and

3 WHEREAS, Sandra Booker is survived by her father; her
4 children, Natisha Booker and Samuel D.A. Gray; her daughter of
5 love, Adrienne (Jamar) Simmons; her sisters, Barbara (Walter)
6 Branch, Sandra Booker, Alice (Sam) Pope-Baker, Cathy (Warren)
7 Roseborough, Angela Patterson, Josie Starks, Johnnie Mitchell,
8 and Charlene Miller; her brothers, Michael Booker and Ernest
9 Booker; her siblings-in-law, Wanda Brown, Julie Booker, John
10 W. Black, and Anthony "Tony" Glover; her aunts, Ruth Jackson,
11 Gloria Rice, Barbara Bush, Ikie Jackson, Billeye Shelton, and
12 Mary Ross Cunningham; her uncles, Lorenza (Jennifer) Belville
13 and Preston (Joe) Wiggins; her bonus grandchildren, Olivia and
14 Jacob Simmons; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other
15 relatives; her special niece, Arlene Sawyer; her special
16 cousins, Pastor Kathy Moton and Sheila Miller; her
17 godchildren, Ericka Morris, Mia Waites, Jalen Morris Desmond
18 Roseborough, Yammile Estrada, and LaMar Black Jr.; her special
19 friends, Lydia Sawyer, Michele McBride, Eugene Jones, Celester
20 Rodney, Debra Choc, Doris Wilburn, Brenda MacDonnell, Sharon
21 Doney, Darlene Kennard, Rosalind Davis, and Orlando and Bertha
22 Warner; and the Old Lake County Family Life Education Team;
23 therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
2 Sandra Jean Booker and extend our sincere condolences to her
3 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to the family of Sandra Booker as an expression of
7 our deepest sympathy.