

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of
3 the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of
4 Marion L. Graham on May 7, 2003; and

5 WHEREAS, Marion L. Graham "Baby Sister" was born on
6 January 3, 1930 in Jackson, Tennessee to Walter and Ethel
7 Cox; and

8 WHEREAS, She became a member of the Church of Christ at
9 an early age in Jackson, Tennessee; and

10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Graham moved to Chicago in 1946; she was
11 united in Holy Matrimony to Eddie Lee Graham on April 11,
12 1964; her husband preceded her in death on April 16, 1992;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, In addition, her mother and father, Ethel and
15 Walter Cox; her brothers, Walter Cox Jr. and Kimber Cox; and
16 her sister, Florence Martin, all preceded her in death; and

17 WHEREAS, The passing of Marion L. Graham has been deeply
18 felt by all who knew her, especially her sons, Jerome H. Cox,
19 Donnie Woodard (Yolanda), Kenneth Graham, Derrick Graham and
20 Steven Graham (Tasha); her daughters, Linda Abraham, Shelia
21 Thomas (Charles), Janice Graham, Ethel Graham, Diane Graham,
22 Cheryl Graham and Sharon Graham; her thirty-nine
23 grandchildren; her thirty-seven great grandchildren; her
24 cousins, Ella Mae, Hattie Mae Butler, Debra Atkins, Brenda
25 Freneey and Henrietta Jones; her sisters-in-law, Reyna Mae
26 Dawson (Jerry), Alberta Smith (Jimmie), Mary Graham (Joe) and
27 Ruby Graham; her brothers-in-law, Rufus Graham (Irma),
28 Columbus Graham (Delores), JR Graham (Sharon) and CL Graham
29 (Alberta); a host of other relatives and friends; and her
30 special friends, Mary, Theresa Taylor and Della Dew;
31 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
3 we mourn the passing of Marion L. Graham and express our
4 sincere and deepest sympathy to her family and friends; and
5 be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Marion L. Graham as an expression
8 of our condolences during their time of bereavement.