

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of
3 the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of
4 Lawrence Washington on Wednesday, September 3, 2003; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Washington was born on June 24, 1946 in
6 Hazen, Arkansas to Charlie and Mattie Washington; he moved to
7 Gary, Indiana where he attended Pulaski Grammar School and
8 Roosevelt High School; he attended Malcom X College in
9 Chicago; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Washington valiantly served his country in
11 the U.S. Army from 1968 until 1970; he was a Viet Nam Combat
12 Veteran; he received an honorable discharge with the rank of
13 Sergeant in addition to many medals and awards; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Washington married Inez Ivy on December 15,
15 1970; he had an extensive work history with 21 years at
16 Motorola/Quasar in Melrose Park and the Chicago Park
17 District; the last 5 years of his life were spent working
18 under Secretary of State Jesse White; he took great pride in
19 his job; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Washington was ordained and was active in
21 his church on the Deacon Board, as Church Treasurer, Trustee,
22 and the Executive Church Board; he enjoyed bowling and
23 basketball; and

24 WHEREAS, The passing of Mr. Washington has been deeply
25 felt by many, especially his wife, Inez; his sons, James and
26 Devon; his mother, Mattie Washington; his siblings, Charlene
27 Ella Olive (Cornelius), Willie Washington (Glenda), Geraldine
28 Hawthorne, Charlie Washington Jr., and Evelyn Johnson
29 (Avery); his mother-in-law, Lannie C. Ivy; his godchild,
30 Raven Bell; and his many other relatives and friends;
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 Lawrence Washington and extend our
4 deepest sympathy to his friends, family, and all who knew and
5 loved him; and be it further

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