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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of Mary Russell on Friday, October 17, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Russell was born on July 24, 1905 in Tate County, Como, Mississippi to Council and Mary Edwards; she was the last surviving of 16 children born to Mr. and Mrs. Edwards; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Russell was educated in Tate County; she became a resident of Chicago in 1951; she worked as an industrial laborer for Listen Industrial Factory; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Russell was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star; she was a faithful and willing worker and member of Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church; she was the mother of 8 children, 4 of whom preceded her in death; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Russell will be remembered as loving grandmother to 44 grandchildren; she gave each grandchild going away to college and each grandchild getting married the gift of a hand made quilt; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Mary Russell has been deeply felt by many, especially her children, Laura Price, Catherine Colvin, Leo Garrett, and A.G. (Katie) Garrett; and her grandchildren, Martha Boyden, Kimberly Colvin, State Representative Marlow Colvin, Milton Colvin, Myron Colvin, A.G. Garrett, Jr., Bernard Garrett, Chester Garrett, Jr., Clark Garrett, Deborah Garrett, Dr. Dennis Garrett, Frederick Garrett, Gregory Garrett, Janine Garrett, Joe Garrett, Kenneth Garrett, Melvin Garrett, Norman Garrett, Ronald Garrett, Roy Garrett, Samuel Garrett, Vanessa Garrett, Veradene Garrett, Clarissa Golden, Clara Hester, Katherine Johnson, Sharon Maul,

1 Loretta Minor, Christopher Murrah, Sargent Daniel Murrah,
2 Kevin Nero, Marvin Nero, Karon Ogunedina, Mary Lee Patterson,
3 Andrew Price, Jr., Charles Price, Vincent Price, Yolanda
4 Price-Greene, Minnie Sabati, Marie Thomas, Shirley Ann Thomas,
5 and Margaret Wilson; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
7 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
8 together with her family and friends, we mourn the passing of
9 Mrs. Mary Russell, and we extend our deepest sympathy to them;
10 and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Mary Russell as an expression of our
13 deepest sympathy.