



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives were deeply saddened to learn of the death of
4 Vivian C. Smith of Chicago on July 22, 2004; and

5 WHEREAS, Vivian Colbert Smith was born in Longview, Texas
6 on April 23, 1918; and

7 WHEREAS, Vivian Smith was a retired employee of the federal
8 government, and was actively involved in retiree's rights
9 through the National Association of Retired Federal Employees
10 Chicago Chapter 6; and

11 WHEREAS, She was involved in court advocacy and in
12 supporting political candidates that she believed in; she was
13 involved with her community through her work with the Neighbors
14 of Fuller Park and the 9th Police District in Chicago; and

15 WHEREAS, Vivian Smith was an expert seamstress, a wonderful
16 mother, and a very strong matriarch for her entire family; and

17 WHEREAS, The passing of Vivian C. Smith will be deeply felt
18 by many, especially her son, Kenneth Smith, Jr.; her nieces and
19 nephews, Diane (Samuels) Brooks, Barbara Samuels, Gregory
20 Samuels, Sr., and Dwight Samuels; her many grandnieces and
21 grandnephews; and her many dear friends; and

22 WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph
23 and Bertha (Fowler) Colbert; her sister, Bernice (Colbert)
24 Samuels; and her nephew, William H. Samuels; therefore, be it

25 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
26 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
27 mourn the death of Vivian C. Smith along with all who knew and
28 loved her and extend our sincere condolences to her family and

1 friends; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to the family of Vivian C. Smith as an expression of
4 our deepest sympathy.