

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of
3 Illinois are saddened at the tragic deaths of 21 people in a
4 stampede at a Chicago nightclub on Monday, February 17, 2003;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Damien Riley was a resident of Senate District
7 39 and was a victim of this tragedy; and

8 WHEREAS, Damien Riley from the west side of Chicago was
9 24 years old; he was a mild-mannered jokester, who worked in
10 his grandmother's cleaning business, loved playing
11 basketball, and was the proud father of a 4 year old
12 daughter; and

13 WHEREAS, The life of Damien Riley, and the twenty others,
14 who died in this tragic event will forever be remembered by
15 their families, friends, and loved ones; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the tragic
18 passing of Damien Riley and so many young people and offer
19 our sincerest condolences to their families, friends, and
20 loved ones; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
22 presented to the family of Damien Riley as an expression of
23 our sympathy for their loss and with the sincere hope that
24 such a tragedy will never occur again.