

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of
3 Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of William
4 Barnett; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Barnett was born in Chicago to William
6 Julius Barnett, Sr. and Cleopatra Morrissette on November 29,
7 1917; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Barnett held many positions in his lifetime
9 including, Chicago Police Officer, Cook County Deputy
10 Sheriff, Insurance Auditor, and Alderman/Committeeman of the
11 Second Ward; he was the Founder and President of Midwest
12 Security Agency, Inc., the Douglas Development Corporation,
13 the William Barnett Youth Foundation, Lake Air Services at
14 Meigs Airport, and the New South Side Community Organization;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Barnett was born a politician and his one
17 last accomplishment was as one of the black political leaders
18 in support of Governor Ron Blagojevich's election this past
19 year; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Barnett was a member in good standing of the
21 American Pilot's Association, the Illinois Chiefs
22 Association, the Associated Detectives, and was a Certified
23 Latent Print Technician; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Barnett confessed Christ and was a member of
25 the Pilgrim Baptist Church; and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Barnett had four loves in his life Politics,
27 Law Enforcement, the Douglas Community, and his beloved wife
28 Esther; and

29 WHEREAS, His passing will be deeply felt by many,
30 especially his wife, Esther; his sister, Gwendolyn Simon; his

1 sister-in-law, Virgie Barnett; and his many nieces, nephews,
2 relatives, and friends; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of
5 William Barnett along with all who knew and loved him and
6 extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends; and
7 be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of William Barnett as an expression
10 of our deepest sympathy.