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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Deacon Timothy Jackie (Carlos) Butler of Chicago on March 14, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Deacon Butler was born on April 22, 1948, to Harrison Butler and Mary (Stampley) Butler in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, He graduated from Parker High School in Chicago and later went on to receive his B.A. from Chicago State University and was working towards his master's degree in social work; and

WHEREAS, In 1981, he married Sylvia Young and they had five children; and

WHEREAS, He worked as a cook for the railroad, as an insurance salesman, and as an administrator and social service worker; it was his work with agencies such as the Community Mental Health Council, Chicago Urban League, Catholic Charities, and the Alliance for Community Empowerment that he held close to his heart; he also volunteered for several not-for-profit agencies throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, In 1973, Deacon Butler joined the Now Generation Church of Christ; in 1983, he and his family joined the Burnside Community Baptist Church where he served on the Deacons Ministry, the Music Ministry, and was one of the founders of the Man Seed Camp; he graduated from the BCBC Seminary in 1990 where he received the degree of Elder; he later was a member of the St. Mark Church and the Harvey Memorial Community Church; he provided service to all the auxiliaries of Harvey Memorial, however, his heart was in the Media Ministry, the ACTS of Harvey, and the Men's Ministry; and

1 WHEREAS, He lived life to the fullest; he enjoyed
2 traveling, cooking, music, nature, and theater; he was an
3 outdoorsman and loved to spend time with his family and
4 friends; he was generous, well-liked, and a friend to many; and

5 WHEREAS, Deacon Butler was preceded in death by his mother,
6 Mary (Stampley) Butler; his aunts, Helen (Stampley) Jackson and
7 Bessie (Stampley) Gaines; and his uncles, Curley Stampley,
8 Freddy Stampley, and Francis Stampley; and

9 WHEREAS, The passing of Deacon Timothy C. Butler is felt by
10 all who knew and loved him, especially his children, LeQuita
11 (Anthony) Peel, Tonya Young, Aaron (Diane) Smith, and Timothy
12 and Antoinette; his grandchildren, Cory, Jasmine, Jordan,
13 Kendall, Aaron, and Jenny; his uncle, George Stampley; his
14 sisters, Dorothy (James) Daniel and Yvonne (Gloster) Current;
15 his cousins, Ella Davis (Ma dea), Debra Smith, Anita Downs,
16 Carolyn Davis, Kim (Judy) Davis, Kenneth (Cynthia) Davis, Noah
17 Downs, William Downs, and Glorianne Barbour; his nieces,
18 Natalie (Paul) Wilson, Angelyn Current, Tiffany Current,
19 Marquella Davis, and Michelle Davis; and his nephew, Trey
20 Daniel; and

21 WHEREAS, He also had a special extended family which
22 included mothers, Marion Monroe and Eddie Mae Susberry; son,
23 Shaun Mance; daughters, Robyn Sligh and Jaton McCree; sisters,
24 Eloise Jordan and Vanessa Davis; nieces, Michelle (Missy) Brown
25 and Y'Von Evans; grandchildren, Darius, Ryan, Janyah, and
26 Jerrick; special friends, Don Harper, Stan Jamison, and Darnell
27 Fourte; and the Sligh/Black Family, the Eaton family, the BCBC
28 family, the Harvey Memorial family, and a host of other friends
29 and relatives; therefore, be it

30 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
31 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that

1 we mourn the passing of Deacon Timothy C. Butler and extend our
2 sincerest condolences to his family, friends, and community;
3 and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest
6 sympathy.