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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of Versie Lucille Wade Williams on October 16, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Versie Lucille Wade Williams was born on May 6, 1926 in Pickens, Mississippi to the late union of Versie Wade and Linnie Wade; the eldest of four children, she was preceded in death by her parents, Versie and Linnie Wade, and two sisters, Rosetta Daniels and Elizabeth Williams; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams was united in matrimony to Clarence Williams, Sr., in December 1944, and to this union eight children were born; four of her children preceded her in death: Clarence Jr., Oralee, Joe, and Michael; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams confessed in Christ at an early age at Mt. Moriah Baptist Church in Pickens, Mississippi; she was a faithful member of Central Memorial Missionary Baptist Church, where she was a member of the Willing Workers Club until her death; she worked at Little Company of Mary Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Representative Arthur Turner was always known as Curtis to Mrs. Williams; she also served as the neighbor children's mother; she was a mother to everyone; she and Mrs. Turner believed in buying food in bulk at a wholesale store, and they then divide the food between themselves; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams was a loving and kind person who would help any and everyone; she was loved and will be dearly missed; her survivors are: two daughters, Linnie Hughes and Patricia Appling (husband, James); two sons Eddie (wife, Jeanette) and Willie Williams; twenty-one grandchildren; forty-six great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; one brother, Clarence Murry, Sr.; one great aunt, Geneva; one

1 brother-in-law, Eldridge Williams; a special nephew, Willie
2 Earl Murry; two special friends, Catherine Turner and Alice
3 Williams; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends;
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
7 we mourn the death of Versie Lucille Wade Williams, and we
8 extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all
9 who knew and loved her; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to
11 the family of Versie Lucille Wade Williams as an expression of
12 our deepest sympathy.