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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Cheryl 4 Marie "Chip" Box of Rockford, who passed away on July 3, 2007; 5 and

6 WHEREAS, Cheryl Box was born August 30, 1951, in Rockford, 7 to Nathaniel (Jake) and Marbline Box; she was a member of the 8 Mount Zion A.M.E. Church in Battle Creek, Michigan, where she 9 was a member of the women's Bible study; she was previously a 10 member of Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church, where she participated in 11 Sunday school, the Young People's Department (YPD), Nora Taylor's Women's Missionary Society, director of the YPD, and 12 13 the Usher Board; and

14 WHEREAS, Cheryl Box graduated from West High School and 15 received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Northern Illinois University and her doctorate from the University of 16 Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; she worked as an elementary 17 school teacher, alternative education director, and elementary 18 19 school principal for the Rockford School District, high school 20 counselor for the Elgin School District, and chief improvement officer for the Battle Creek Public Schools; she also worked at 21 22 Northern Illinois University in the CHANCE Program; and

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WHEREAS, Cheryl Box was working as a principal-coach in the
Detroit Public Schools at the time of her passing; and she
provided private counseling services for the Illinois
Department of Children and Family Services; and

5 WHEREAS, Cheryl Box bowled with the National Traveler's 6 Bowling League and served on numerous boards and committees, 7 including the Booker T. Washington Center Board of Directors, 8 the Winnebago County Board, and Delta Kappa Gamma Society 9 International; she was an active member of Delta Sigma Theta 10 Sorority; and

11 WHEREAS, Cheryl Box leaves a loving family, including her 12 mother, Marbline Box; her sisters, Joyce Brown and Gwendolyn 13 Box; her niece, Shawna (Terrence) Young; her nephews, Kelley 14 Hudson, Marcus Hudson, Derrick (Jamica) Brown, James Box, and 15 Jermaine Box; her great-nephew, Caleb Young; her godsons, Mario Marshall and Maynard McGee; as well as a host of other 16 17 relatives and friends; she also leaves special friends, John Richards, Sondra Archibald, and Carstella Miller; she was 18 preceded in death by her father; her sister, Betty Louise 19 20 Hudson; and maternal and paternal grandparents; therefore, be 21 it.

22 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 23 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we HR0583 -3- LRB095 12665 KXB 37961 r
mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of Cheryl
Marie "Chip" Box; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 4 presented to the family of Cheryl Marie "Chip" Box as a symbol 5 of our sympathy.