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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Ernest James Swopes of North Chicago, who passed away on May 2, 2008; and

WHEREAS, He was born on October 14, 1953 in Waukegan; he was a graduate of North Chicago Community High School and obtained his Certification as a Nurse's Aide from the College of Lake County; he was also regarded as a chef; and

WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his parents, Chester Swopes, Sr. and Chessie B. Cole-Sweeps; and his two brothers, Chester A. Swopes and Bruce A. Swopes; and

WHEREAS, Ernest Swopes is survived by three brothers, three sisters, and his step-mother, Louise (Willie) Harris, Leotis D. "Joe" (Polly) Swopes, Ed.D, Alice (Lydell) Swopes, Carl E. Swopes, Diane (Mark) Washington, Aaron W. Swopes, and Mary L. Swopes; and a host of nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Ernest James Swopes; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Ernest James Swopes as a symbol of
3 our sincere sympathy.