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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, State Representative Monique D. Davis and the  
3 Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the  
4 death of Milton and Ruby McClendon, who passed away on October  
5 19, 2009; and

6           WHEREAS, Milton McClendon was born on June 19, 1931, in  
7 Hammond, Indiana; his parents were William and Geneva  
8 McClendon; Ruby McClendon was born on October 17, 1933, in  
9 Stanton, Tennessee; her parents were Theodore and Willola  
10 Jones; and

11           WHEREAS, Milton and Ruby McClendon were both graduates of  
12 Hammond High School, graduating with the Classes of 1950 and  
13 1951, respectively; Milton served his country with pride and  
14 distinction as a member of the United States Army from 1951 to  
15 1954; and

16           WHEREAS, Milton and Ruby McClendon were united in holy  
17 matrimony in 1955; and

18           WHEREAS, Milton McClendon was employed with the United  
19 States Postal Service for many years until his retirement in  
20 1986; Ruby McClendon was employed with Pullman Standard and  
21 Tran-Zact in Hammond, Indiana for many years until her

1 retirement in 1988; and

2 WHEREAS, Milton and Ruby McClendon were active members in  
3 their community; Milton served as a Little League coach and  
4 served as a guide and mentor for many aspiring athletes,  
5 particularly in track and field; Ruby was an active member of  
6 the Hammond Public Schools PTA and served as a den mother for  
7 many Cub Scout troops; both Milton and Ruby were dedicated  
8 members of the NAACP; and

9 WHEREAS, Milton and Ruby McClendon were loyal and dedicated  
10 members of the St. Paul Episcopal Church in Munster, Indiana;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Milton McClendon was preceded in death by his  
13 parents, William and Geneva, and his brother, Ulysses Napoleon  
14 McClendon; Ruby McClendon was preceded in death by her parents,  
15 Theodore and Willola Jones; and

16 WHEREAS, Milton and Ruby McClendon are survived by their  
17 loving sons, Duane (Reba) McClendon, Theodore (Carol Smith)  
18 McClendon, and Garrard (Quanica) McClendon; their adoring  
19 grandchildren, Olympia (George) McClendon Johnson, ReAnne  
20 Namara McClendon, Jocelyn Patrice Russell, Jaiman Duane  
21 McClendon, Maximillian Elston McClendon, Tristin Kailan  
22 Russell, and Miranda Aurora McClendon; their great-grandchild,

1 Geordan D. Johnson; and their many other family members and  
2 friends; Milton is also survived by his sister, Irene Agnel  
3 Hayes, and his brother, William (Sylvia) McClendon; and

4 WHEREAS, Milton and Ruby McClendon will be remembered by  
5 all who knew and loved them as pillars of their community, role  
6 models to the countless children and adults they guided through  
7 life's trials, and as loving and supportive parents; therefore,  
8 be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
10 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
11 mourn, along with their family and friends, the passing of  
12 Milton and Ruby McClendon; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the family of Milton and Ruby McClendon as an  
15 expression of our sympathy.