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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 Jon 4 Alexander Daye, who passed away on July 8, 2010; and

5 WHEREAS, Jon Daye was well known by many for being on the 6 cutting edge of the 21st century; in the early 1970s, he began 7 appearing on talk television, where he chose topics regarding 8 the African-American community at large; through his shows, he 9 provided a forum for black candidates, judges, aldermen and 10 county officials to express their message to the community; his 11 quests included former Chicago Mayors Harold Washington and Eugene Sawyer; he and his shows were also instrumental in the 12 election of U.S. Senator Roland Burris and Cook County Board 13 14 President Todd Stroger; and

15 WHEREAS, Jon Daye was a radio personality on WVON Radio's 16 "On Target"; he was a television talk show host on Star Planet 17 Television Network, Cable Channel 25; he was also the host of 18 "Straight Talk", which led to his own show, "News Talk", on 19 Rev. Harold Bailey's PCC Network; and

20 WHEREAS, Jon Daye was an author and the founder and 21 president of several worthwhile awards, including the coveted 22 Kizzy Award, which recognized women for their professional

HR1357 -2-LRB096 22787 GRL 42123 r 1 accomplishments and community service, the Success Awards, 2 which recognized men for their distinguished accomplishments, and the Black Woman Hall of Fame Foundation, which recognized a 3 long list of women luminaries with the Bethune-Tubman Truth 4 5 Award; through his various awards programs, he reached out to 6 innumerable local and national "dignitaries" - recipients of 7 his awards; and

8 WHEREAS, Jon Daye is survived by his fiancee, Bernadine 9 Whiteurst; his daughters, Christy Robinson (Dore) and Tracy 10 Landing; his grandchildren; and his many other family members 11 and friends; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 13 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 14 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Jon 15 Alexander Daye; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 17 presented to the family of Jon Daye as an expression of our 18 sympathy.