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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 Jon Alexander Daye, who passed away on July 8, 2010; 5 and

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

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

WHEREAS, Jon Daye was an author and the founder and president of several worthwhile awards, including the coveted

- 1 Kizzy Award, which recognized women for their professional
- 2 accomplishments and community service, the Success Awards,
- 3 which recognized men for their distinguished accomplishments,
- 4 and the Black Woman Hall of Fame Foundation, which recognized a
- 5 long list of women luminaries with the Bethune-Tubman Truth
- 6 Award; through his various awards programs, he reached out to
- 7 innumerable local and national "dignitaries" recipients of
- 8 his awards; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Jon Daye is survived by his fiancee, Bernadine
- 10 Whiteurst; his daughters, Christy Robinson (Dore) and Tracy
- 11 Landing; his grandchildren; and his many other family members
- 12 and friends; therefore, be it
- 13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 14 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Jon
- 16 Alexander Daye; and be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 18 presented to the family of Jon Daye as an expression of our
- 19 sympathy.