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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Christine Alexander of Glenwood, who recently passed away; and

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WHEREAS, She was born on January 26, 1922 in McNeil, Arkansas, to the late Bloomer and Jonah Buffington, Sr.; she accepted Christ at an early age at St. Matthew Missionary Baptist Church in McNeil, Arkansas; she attended elementary school at St. Matthew and graduated from Hobson High School in Earlyview; and

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WHEREAS, She married Fred Alexander on December 25, 1940 and they moved to Chicago to start their new life; Christine attended and graduated from APEX School of Cosmetology and became the owner of her own beauty salon in her home; and

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WHEREAS, Together with her husband, Christine Alexander were active in the community, working with the Greater Lawndale Community as well as the local 1800 Drake Block Club; in 1956 Christine won the 1800 Drake Block Club Beautification Award, one of her proudest memories; and

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WHEREAS, She was a long time and active parishioner at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church for many years and later

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1 at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, where she worked with the  
2 Altar and Rosary Society and other church ministries; and

3 WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by her husband; her  
4 parents; her siblings, Walter, Ora Belle, Paul, Jonah Jr., and  
5 Susie; and her son-in-law, John Blakey; and

6 WHEREAS, Christine Alexander is survived by her daughters,  
7 Dr. Evonne F. Blakey, Deborah A. Henderson (Jerald), and Mary  
8 Stanback (Albert); her grandchildren, Randall K. Blakey  
9 (Sonya), Ricia C. Blakey (Trenton), and Aaron A. Henderson  
10 (Maja); her great-grandchildren, Noel Z. Blakey, Destinee F.  
11 Blakey, Justice A. Taylor, and Zion G. Taylor; and a host of  
12 special cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
15 her family and friends, the passing of Christine Alexander; and  
16 be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to the family of Christine Alexander as a symbol of  
19 our sincere sympathy.