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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Vivian Bratton Wilson, who passed away on March 9, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, Vivian Wilson was born on March 6, 1918; her parents were Effie Bomar and Luegemus Bratton; and

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WHEREAS, Vivian Wilson attended Englewood High School, Wilson Jr. College, and Roosevelt University, where she studied business and business administration; and

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WHEREAS, Vivian Wilson's father was the founder of Star Detective and Security Agency in Chicago; in her early years, she performed undercover work and other investigations for Star Detective and served as her father's part-time secretary, bookkeeper, payroll clerk, recruiter, hirer, and firer in the 1940s and 1950s; after her father's passing, she served as Star's president and treasurer for nearly 30 years, directing a business with 650 employees; and

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WHEREAS, Vivian Wilson was licensed as a State of Illinois Private Security Contractor, State of Illinois Private Detective and State of Illinois Private Alarm Contractor; she had received numerous awards for outstanding work in the

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1 security field and was named "Security Entrepreneur of the
2 Year" by the Alpha Lambda Honorary Fraternity; and

3 WHEREAS, Vivian Wilson was a regular at the South Side
4 Gospel Assembly, St. John AME Church, and Trinity United Church
5 of Christ; and

6 WHEREAS, Vivian Wilson was preceded in death by her second
7 husband, Clyde Wilson; her siblings, Howard Bratton, Leonard
8 Bratton, and Paulina Bratton; and her granddaughter, Volora
9 Watson; and

10 WHEREAS, Vivian Wilson is survived by her sister, Marcella
11 (David) Gibson; her daughter Almeda (Irwin) Dunn; her
12 granddaughter, Dominique (Charles) Wallace; and her
13 great-grandchildren, Kenneth and Almeda Wallace; therefore, be
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15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
17 we mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of
18 Vivian Bratton Wilson; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of Vivian Wilson as an expression of
21 our sympathy.