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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 Markusree  
4 "Che Che" Nichols, who passed away on March 27, 2012; and

5           WHEREAS, She was born in Shelby, Mississippi, on March 21,  
6 1940, to Mr. Willie James and Blanche Johnson; at an early age,  
7 Markusree moved to Chicago, where she graduated from John  
8 Marshall High School; she met Ulysses "Nick" Nichols at the  
9 tender age of 15; in 1957, they married; and

10           WHEREAS, At an early age, Markusree accepted and professed  
11 Christ; in 1983, she joined Holy Family Lutheran Church, where  
12 she was a faithful member; for a short period she connected  
13 with Salem Baptist Church; she was beloved by the Cabrini Green  
14 Community and was the pillar of the original Local Advisory  
15 Council; and

16           WHEREAS, She helped campaign for many politicians in the  
17 area and was influential in pushing many new community programs  
18 at Lower North Center; she played a pivotal part in raising  
19 many children of Caprini; her home was often the center of  
20 activity; she was one of the first to have a garden in the row  
21 houses; and

1           WHEREAS, She leaves to cherish her memory, her daughters,  
2 Brenda (Kaye) Posley and Tyni (Steve) Jones; her sons, Ulysses  
3 "Binky" Nichols and Cyril (Theresa) Nichols; her  
4 grandchildren, Lacy, Cyril "Marshaun", Whittley, Mychal,  
5 Taylor, Kaylyn, Chloe, and Cyril Jr. "CJ"; her  
6 great-grandchildren, JoNathan, Jazell, Ja-honesti, and Keith;  
7 her twin brother, Claude "Marcus" Johnson; her sister, Laura  
8 Johnson; her dear niece and nephew, who she shared in raising,  
9 Jenice Jamison and Anthony Williams; her special cousins, AJ  
10 Whitney, Henry and Toni Darden, and Albert "Buck" (April)  
11 Crawford; her sisters-in-law, Marilyn (Bill) Haney and Laura  
12 Nichols; her brother-in-law, Frank (Doris) Nichols; her  
13 Godchildren, Janet Faulkner, Patricia Smith, Kimberly Smith,  
14 Rodney Bullock, and Fannie Brooks; and her very special  
15 friends, Sheila and Mary Lou; as well as a host of nieces,  
16 nephews, family, and friends; therefore, be it

17           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
18 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
19 we mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of  
20 Markusree Nichols; and be it further

21           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
22 presented to the family of Markusree Nichols as a symbol of our  
23 sincere sympathy.