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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 Effie Mae Wroten of North Chicago, who passed away on October 21, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, Effie Wroten was born on January 17, 1945, in Slayden, Mississippi; her parents were Abell and Rosie Rhyan; she grew up in Memphis, Tennessee, remaining there until her family moved to Waukegan in 1962; she graduated from East High School in 1963; and

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WHEREAS, Effie Wroten was a devoted and faithful member of Brothers After the Order of Jesus in Zion for 39 years; and

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WHEREAS, Effie Wroten served as a certified master hair stylist and entrepreneur for many years; she was the founder and manager of the New Image School of Cosmetology and New Image Hair Design studio in Waukegan; and

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WHEREAS, Effie Wroten was a prominent civic servant who served on many boards in Lake County; she was also elected to serve on the North Shore Sanitary District Board in Gurnee, where she served honorably for three terms, until her death; and

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1 WHEREAS, Effie Wroten was the recipient of the People's
2 Voice Community Achievement Award and the Most Influential
3 African American Achievement Political Leadership Award; and

4 WHEREAS, Effie Wroten was preceded in death by her parents,
5 Abell and Rosie Rhyan, and her brothers, Abel Rhyan and Tyrone
6 Rhyan; and

7 WHEREAS, Effie Wroten is survived by her loving and devoted
8 husband of 34 years, Johnny L. Wroten; her sons, Maurice Hood
9 (Keiya), Carl Wroten, Michael Wroten (Tynesha), Kelvin Tate
10 (Suretha), Abel Williams-Wroten, Albert Williams-Wroten, and
11 Reginald Hooks (Tera); her daughter, Royshell Rhyan her 25
12 grandchildren; her brothers, Tommy (Myra) Rhyan and Andrew
13 Rhyan; her sisters, Frances Williams (R.C.), LeeDora Rhyan,
14 Romena-Sandy Rhyan, Janie-Gina (Napoleon) Norals, and
15 Antoinette Rhyan-Gibbs; her many nephews and nieces; her
16 God-children, Michael Walters and Dana Perry; and her special
17 friends, Brother Grace, Mother Grace, Sr. Catherine Anthony,
18 Anita Wilson, Louise Formel, Ron McAllister, and Doris Barge;
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
22 her family and friends, the passing of Effie Mae Wroten; and be
23 it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Effie Wroten as an expression of our
3 sympathy.