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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 Judy Tucker, who passed away on January 21, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Judy Tucker was born on September 1, 1943, in Cincinnati, Ohio; in 1955, she and her family moved to Markham, where she was raised and completed her formal education; after traveling throughout the country as a military wife with her former spouse and 5 children, she remarried and moved her family to Chicago in 1972; and

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WHEREAS, Judy Tucker attended Victor Business School in Evergreen Park in 1971; after graduation, she became affiliated with the WIN Program (Work Initiative Program), where she acquired employment as an intern with United States Representative Ralph Metcalfe Sr.; after the WIN internship, she served as the Executive Secretary to Committeeman Metcalfe Sr. in the 3rd Ward Regular Democratic Organization from 1972 to 1975; she also served as the Congressional Aide to Congressman Metcalfe from 1976 until his death in October of 1978; and

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WHEREAS, Continuing her career in government, Judy Tucker served as the Executive Secretary/Office Manager to Ralph

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1 Metcalfe Jr., Candidate for Alderman of the 3rd Ward Regular
2 Democratic Organization, from 1978 to 1980; from 1980 to 1982,
3 she worked for Rachel R. Ridley, the Director of the City of
4 Chicago Commission on Human Relations; she later worked for
5 Alderman Tyrone Kenner as the Secretary of Public Utilities
6 from 1982 to 1983 and as the Secretary of the Committee on
7 Finance from 1983 to 1985; and

8 WHEREAS, On the recommendation of then-Alderman Bobby
9 Rush, Judy Tucker was recommended for the position of Office
10 Manager to Commissioner Jerry Butler during Butler's
11 successfully candidacy for Cook County Commissioner from 1985
12 to 1986; in 1986, Alderman Rush extended an offer to her to
13 serve as his Executive Secretary in the 2nd Ward Regular
14 Democratic Organization; since his elevation to Honorable U.S.
15 Congressman of the First Congressional District in 1992, Judy
16 has held several key positions under Congressman Bobby Rush's
17 tutelage, most notably as the Director of Constituent Services,
18 where she served until her passing; as Director of Constituent
19 Services, she successfully developed valuable working
20 relationships with many constituents both on the governmental
21 and non-governmental levels; and

22 WHEREAS, Judy Tucker was a faithful member of Miracle House
23 of Prayer Church in Chicago; and

1 WHEREAS, Judy Tucker is survived by her loving husband of
2 38 years, Elisheous Tucker, and her 5 children; therefore, be
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4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
6 her family and friends, the passing of Judy Tucker; and be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Judy Tucker as an expression of our
10 sympathy.