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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 Melvin Earl Brock, who passed away on December 28, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Melvin Brock was born on February 20, 1963, in Drew, Mississippi; his parents were James and Mary Alice Brock; he married Ina Brock on August 11, 2001; and

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WHEREAS, Melvin Brock was educated in the Mississippi public school system; while in school, he played the saxophone, ran track, and played football; he later earned associate's degrees in communications and electronics and micro computer electronics from Belleville Area College; he subsequently continued his education and earned his bachelor's degree in electronics management from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale; and

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WHEREAS, Melvin Brock served his country as a member of the Illinois Army National Guard until his retirement after 21 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Melvin Brock was an employee of the East St. Louis Casting Company, Boeing, and the Menard Correctional Facility; he spent his last 11 years working for the Department of

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1 Central Management Services in Springfield, where he was
2 stationed at the Illinois Department of Health as an IT support
3 specialist; and

4 WHEREAS, Melvin Brock devoted all of his free time to his
5 sons' activities by coaching and mentoring other young men in
6 baseball, football, basketball, and in Boy Scouts as an
7 assistant den leader; and

8 WHEREAS, Melvin Brock was preceded in death by his mother;
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10 WHEREAS, Melvin Brock is survived by his wife, Ina M.
11 Brock; his sons, Anthony Dupree and Melvin D. Brock; his
12 father, James Brock; his sisters, Christine (Michael) Schafer,
13 JoAnn (Vincent) Cook, and Ella Jean (Troy) Jenkins; his
14 brothers, James Brock, Jr., Frankie Brock, Martin Brock, and
15 Leroy (Janie) Smith; his grandson, Jason Jevon Dupree; his
16 special uncles, Willie E. Thompson and Joe Lee (Diana)
17 Thompson, Sr.; and his many aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews,
18 in-laws, other relatives, and friends; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
21 his family and friends, the passing of Melvin Earl Brock; and
22 be it further

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