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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 Samuel Parker of Beach Park, who passed away on August 2, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Samuel Parker was born on February 17, 1924 in Burdette, Arkansas; his parents were Lonnie and Aree (Branch) Parker; he married Gussie Lee Bonner in 1942 in Catron, Missouri; in 1944, the couple moved to Illinois, where they lived in Zion, Waukegan, North Chicago, and Beach Park; and

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WHEREAS, Samuel Parker was employed with American Motors in Kenosha, Wisconsin for 41 years; and

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WHEREAS, Samuel Parker devoted his entire life to the service of his Lord, his family, his friends, and his community; in the 1960s, he joined Christian Valley Missionary Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon and an associate minister; and

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WHEREAS, Samuel Parker was preceded in death by his son, Charles Parker; and

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WHEREAS, Samuel Parker is survived by his wife, Gussie Lee (Bonner) Parker; his sons, Samuel, Philip, Dennis, Lonnie,

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1 Bart, Danny, Adley, and Ted; his daughters, Terry Alhassan,
2 Doris Coles, and LaWana Carter; his 29 grandchildren; his 21
3 great-grandchildren; his brothers, Joseph and John; and his
4 sister, Naomi "Toy" Varnell; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
7 family and friends, mourn the passing of Samuel Parker; and be
8 it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Samuel Parker as an expression of
11 our sympathy.