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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 Major (Ret.) Alfred Earl Clark, Jr., who passed away on September 26, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Alfred Clark, Jr. was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on April 17, 1943 to Alfred Earl Clark, Sr. and Thelma Adams; he attended Miller Elementary School and graduated from Fifth Avenue Junior and Senior High School in Pittsburgh in 1961; he received his Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics from Fayetteville State University in Fayetteville, North Carolina and his Master of Arts in Administration and Supervision from Roosevelt University in Chicago; he married to Donna Sue Thomas on August 19, 1972 in Austin, Texas; and

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WHEREAS, Alfred Clark, Jr. served as a Major in the United States Army; he served during the Vietnam War and received an Honorable Discharge; in January of 1989, he retired from the United States Army Reserve; he was a recipient of the Bronze Star and numerous other military honors; and

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WHEREAS, Alfred Clark, Jr. was an educator for 30 years in the public schools of North Chicago and Chicago; his educational career started as a mathematics and science

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1 teacher, football and track coach, and continued as dean of
2 students, assistant principal, principal, athletic director,
3 director of adult education, and in the superintendent's
4 cabinet as director of student services, transportation, and
5 school safety; he was instrumental in sponsoring 3 high school
6 students for the Alfred Clark Scholarship Award in North
7 Carolina; and

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9 WHEREAS, Alfred Clark, Jr. was a member of Green's Temple
10 Church of God in Pittsburgh and then Shiloh Baptist Church of
11 Waukegan; and

12 WHEREAS, Alfred Clark, Jr. was preceded in death by his
13 parents; and

14 WHEREAS, Alfred Clark, Jr. is survived by his wife, Donna
15 Sue; his son, Jadaun; 3 siblings, Rose (Jacob) Reid, John
16 (Sylvia) Clark, and Cheryl Clark; his aunt, Mary Lee Seay; 3
17 sisters-in-law, Georgia Thomas, Mae Turman, and Linda Thomas; 2
18 brothers-in-law, Augustus Williams and George Thomas (Cheryl);
19 10 nieces; 9 nephews; 18 cousins; 3 godchildren; and a host of
20 other relatives, friends, and precious former students;
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
23 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of

1 Major (Ret.) Alfred Earl Clark, Jr., and extend our sincere
2 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
3 him; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to the family of Alfred Clark, Jr. as an expression
6 of our deepest sympathy.