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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Iberia  
4 Beatrice Hampton, who passed away on October 16, 2016 at the  
5 age of 94; and

6           WHEREAS, Iberia Hampton was born on February 5, 1922 in  
7 Haynesville, Louisiana; her parents were Elihue and Lizzie  
8 White; and

9           WHEREAS, In the 1930s, Iberia Hampton and her husband moved  
10 to the Chicago area to find better job opportunities; she  
11 stayed home to care for their children while her husband worked  
12 at the Corn Products Refining Company in Argo; in 1958, they  
13 moved to Maywood; and

14           WHEREAS, Iberia Hampton began working at Corn Products in  
15 1956 in a quality control position; while there, she served as  
16 a union steward, which helped to inspire her children to make  
17 the world a better place; and

18           WHEREAS, Iberia Hampton's kitchen on the 800 block of South  
19 17th Avenue in Maywood was often the scene of philosophical and  
20 strategic political conversations, especially after the  
21 assassination of her son Fred on December 4, 1969; she would

1 serve many meals to the activists, entertainers, politicians,  
2 and everyday people who visited her home; she and her family  
3 also produced a list of "progressive people running for office"  
4 in the community, so that area voters could "select who they  
5 thought were best fit for office"; and

6 WHEREAS, Iberia Hampton will be dearly missed by all who  
7 knew and loved her; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
9 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
10 we, along with her family and friends, mourn the passing of  
11 Iberia Beatrice Hampton; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to the family of Iberia Hampton as an expression of  
14 our sympathy.