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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Cheryl Paulette Harris, who passed away 4 on February 20, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Harris was born on November 23, 1948 to Fannie Mary Smith and Alphonso Harris; she attended Chicago Vocational High School and later received her GED; she met Ira Burton and gave him 3 daughters, Terese, Cherri, and Terri; in 1970, she met Darrell Wells "Tiger", the love of her life, and they had one daughter, Daphne Wells; although never married, they lived together happily for 45 years as husband and wife; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Harris had many jobs though out her life, but the most satisfying one was as a Certified Addiction Dependency Counselor at the Haymarket House; she worked in the maternal addiction unit and was passionate about helping women come into recovery and change their lives; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Harris was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Deborah Lynn Harris; and her favorite niece, Candice Johnson; and

21 WHEREAS, Cheryl Harris is survived by her soul mate,

- 1 Darrell "Tiger"; her daughters, Terese, Cherri, Terri (Eric),
- and Daphne (Roy); her step-daughter, Denna; her brother, Frank
- 3 (Bonita) and sisters, Cynthia (Clay), Denise (Eddie), Nancy,
- 4 Joella, and Rhonda Burton (honorary sister); her
- 5 grandchildren, Mia (Moses), Eboni, Lamar, Alicia, Danielle,
- 6 and Diamond; her 5 great-grandchildren; and many nieces,
- 7 nephews, cousins, and a host of friends and extended family;
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
- 10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 11 Cheryl Paulette Harris, and extend our sincere condolences to
- her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
- 13 further
- 14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the family of Cheryl Harris as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.