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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 Ida Marie Walker Lake, who passed away on February 29, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Ida Lake was born in Brownsville, Tennessee to John Currie and Mary Frances (Carter) Currie on June 2, 1931; she was a member of the Willow Grove Baptist Church and married Roger E. Walker, Sr. in Corinth, Mississippi in 1947; she later married Prentice Lake; and

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WHEREAS, Ida Lake and her family relocated to Decatur; she became a charter-member of the Church of the Living God P.G.T., where she served as choir President and was a member of the Kitchen Committee, Usher, and on the Mission Board; several years later, her son, Thomas, founded the Main Street Church of the Living God, where she was a charter-member and served on the Mothers and Mission Boards; she was dedicated to Sunday School; and

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WHEREAS, Ida Lake was called "Grandma" by numerous people; she often assisted parents by transporting, feeding, and caring for their children; she loved to cook large meals for her family and her church family; she was well known for her signature caramel cakes and sweet potato and egg pies; and

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1 WHEREAS, Ida Lake was preceded in death by her second
2 husband, Prentice; her parents; her son, Roger E. Walker, Jr.;
3 13 brothers and sisters; and her granddaughter, Kamisha
4 Walker-Hodge; and

5 WHEREAS, Ida Lake is survived by her sons, Dr. Overseer
6 Thomas (Margaret) Walker, Arthur Lee (Terri) Walker, Hilda
7 Walker, and Timothy Lake; her stepdaughter, Faye McClelland;
8 her foster daughter and niece, Diane Bond; her sister, Doris
9 Lawrence; her special sister and niece, Mildred Taylor; her
10 grandchildren, Tammie Shaw, Pierre Perkins, Anthony Corey
11 (Sylvia) Walker, Ryan (Sherrie) Walker, Robin Ketchens, Shane
12 (Alisha) Walker, Adrian Walker, Shalen Walker, Jalyynn Walker,
13 Emoni Lake, Shannon Bond, Martina Bond, Soraya Lake, and Lebron
14 and Landon Robinson; her sisters-in-law, Beulah Currie, Mary
15 Ann Boyd, Flora Jean (AD) Brooks, and Dimple Walker; her
16 special nieces, Clara (Leroy) Clark, Louverna (Tim) Hess, Linda
17 and Erika Taylor, Margaret (Rhee) Walker, and Barbara (Fenner)
18 Bond; her special nephews, Bobby Lawrence and Ricky (Vanessa)
19 Goforth; her god daughters, Ellen Young and Vivian (Millard)
20 Goodman; and a host of great-grandchildren,
21 great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives, Main
22 Street Mission Board, Main Street Church family, and friends;
23 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
3 Ida Marie Walker Lake, and extend our sincere condolences to
4 her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
5 further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Ida Lake as an expression of our
8 deepest sympathy.