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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Delvano LaValle Jones, who passed away on January 12, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Delvano Jones was born in Chicago to Arthur A. Jones and Jean Overton-Jones on November 10, 1953; he attended Corkery Elementary School and graduated from Austin High School in 1972; he later attended Bradley University, where he was a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Epsilon Kappa Chapter; he regaled his fellow students with his unique wit, friendliness, and insight; anyone who knew him was very familiar with his love of conversation; he earned his Bachelor of Science in Business from Bradley in 1976; he married Laura Elizabeth Johnson at the Christ Universal Temple in 1986; and

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WHEREAS, After graduation, Delvano Jones began a successful sales career with several Fortune 500 companies, including American Tobacco Company, Pitney Bowes, Xerox, and World Pay Corporation; there is no doubt that his skills in communication contributed to his successful sales and marketing career; and

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WHEREAS, Delvano Jones was a lifelong member of Christ Universal Temple; his strong commitment to his faith was

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1 apparent in his love for his church; he participated in
2 spiritual retreats and was a proud member of the Hospitality
3 Committee; and

4 WHEREAS, Delvano Jones was a devoted husband, father,
5 brother, and friend; he enjoyed grilling, golfing, sports,
6 FitBits, and keeping up with the latest television shows,
7 movies, and audio and visual electronics; and

8 WHEREAS, Delvano Jones was preceded in death by his
9 parents; and

10 WHEREAS, Delvano Jones is survived by his loving wife and
11 best friend, Laura; his son, Delvano LaValle II; his daughter,
12 Marielle Nicole; his sisters, Charmine Minette Jones-Sprauve
13 (Christopher), Jerilyn Frazier (Daniel); his brother, Leron
14 Jones; his brothers-in-law, Ralph Johnson and Harold Johnson II
15 (Marilyn); his sister-in-law, Maria Johnson; and his many
16 nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
18 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
19 mourn the passing of Delvano LaValle Jones and extend our
20 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
21 and loved him; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Delvano Jones as an expression of
3 our deepest sympathy.