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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 2 3 learn of the death of Olivia Patton Hooker, who passed away on 4 October 11, 2017; and WHEREAS, Olivia Hooker was born in Lexington, Mississippi 5 6 to Andrew and Mary Selena Patton on March 9, 1951; she attended 7 high school at Lexington Attendance Center; she married her 8 high school sweetheart, Willie Hooker Jr., and they enjoyed 9 over 40 years together; and 10 WHEREAS, Olivia Hooker owned Hooker's Restaurant, where 11 she was noted as a great cook; she truly enjoyed using her 12 cooking to bring smiles to people's faces; and 13 WHEREAS, Olivia Hooker was a faithful member of Newport Missionary Baptist Church, where she served on the Pastor Aid 14 15 Committee and the Dining Committee, oversaw the Youth Program, 16 and was a member of the choir; she enjoyed taking care of her 17 family and sewing; and 18 WHEREAS, Olivia Hooker was preceded in death by her 19 husband, Willie; her daughter, Teresa Hooker; and her brothers, 20 LC and Clarence Patton; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Olivia Hooker is survived by her daughters,
- 2 Beatrice Hooker and Lucretia Newman; her son, Willie (Melissa)
- 3 Hooker III; her sisters, Louisville Marcus, Juanita Patton,
- 4 Meta Patton, and Rosie Levy; and her many grandchildren,
- 5 great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 8 Olivia Patton Hooker and extend our sincere condolences to her
- 9 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
- 10 further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to the family of Olivia Hooker as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.