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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Ernest 4 Vincent Sr., who passed away on December 31, 2018; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Ernest Vincent born in was Hazlehurst, 6 Mississippi to Eddie and Willie Mae Vincent on May 27, 1943; he 7 graduated from Damascus Elementary School and from Parrish High 8 School in April of 1961; he graduated from Utica Junior College 9 in Mississippi in May of 1963; he joined the U.S. Army in May 10 of 1965 and was honorably discharged in May of 1971; among his 11 many military commendations include the Rifle Marksman Badge, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal; 12 13 he married Sandra "Bonita" Criner on June 29, 1974; and
  - WHEREAS, Ernest Vincent worked for 18 years at the National Castings Corporation; and
    - WHEREAS, Ernest Vincent was affectionately known as "Dada"; his home was always open to anyone in need and he made sure his children and grandchildren had everything they needed to be successful in life; in September of 1955 at the age of 12, he was baptized and joined the Damascus Church in Hazlehurst, and in 1990, he joined the Monument of Faith Church; he always enjoyed the annual family vacations; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Ernest Vincent was preceded in death by his wife,
- 2 Sandra; his daughter, Roshantta Criner; his parents; his
- 3 siblings, John L., Mary, Roy, Inez, Frances Lottie, and Bertha;
- 4 his father-in-law, Sam Henry Criner; and his mother-in-law,
- 5 Mary Lee Wiggly; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Ernest Vincent is survived by his children, Evelyn
- 7 Dawson, Keith (Karen) Criner, Ernest Moore, Tremayne (Deborah)
- 8 Criner, William "DJ" (Valerie) Moore, Christopher (Shauntrece)
- 9 Vincent Sr., and Carita (Eliathan) Smith Sr.; his
- 10 grandchildren, Krystal, Allan, Nefertiti, Kierstan, Trenzel,
- 11 Da'Shayla, Zamare, Whitney, Nigel, Eliathan Jr., Rondre, Zion,
- 12 Eliyana, Chrislynn, Jerome, and Ethan; his
- 13 great-grandchildren, Kai, Lailyn, and Kaleb; his siblings,
- 14 Eddie Vincent, Dorothy Patterson, and Dr. Charles (Delores)
- 15 Vincent; his mother-in-law, Shirley Criner; his
- 16 sisters-in-law, Beverly Jenkins, Pamela (Steve) Barlow, Rosie
- 17 Wiggly, and Letitia Austin; his brothers-in-law, Roosevelt
- Wiggly, Henry Bell, and Tyrane Wiggly; his god-sister, Marsha
- 19 Blackwell; his god-daughters, Delores Williams, Sandra Hamlin,
- 20 and Tyeresa (Chris) Vaval; and numerous nieces, nephews,
- 21 cousins, other relatives, and friends; therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 23 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that

- 1 we mourn the passing of Ernest Vincent Sr. and extend our
- 2 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
- 3 and loved him; and be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 5 presented to the family of Ernest Vincent as an expression of
- 6 our deepest sympathy.