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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Emmer Jean Tucker of Lockport, who passed 4 away on November 5, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Emmer Tucker was born in Catron, Missouri to Ulysses and Carrie Jean Miller-Mackins on November 27, 1939; as a young child, her family relocated to Pulaski, where she attended Bannaker School and Douglas High School in Mounds; she married Joe Luster Tucker on December 26, 1959, and they relocated to Lockport; and

WHEREAS, After making her home in Lockport, Emmer Tucker joined Shiloh M.B. Church, where she was an active member for over 50 years; she was a member of the Young Matrons, the Matrons, and the choir; she dedicated the majority of her time to the youth nursery and had a special place in her heart for all the children that came under her care; and

WHEREAS, As her youngest child started school, Emmer Tucker began work at the Fairmont School, where she had previously been a part of PTA and continued serving in many capacities; she loved to cook and was well known for her homemade ice cream and German chocolate cakes; and

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Ulysses Miller and Cecil and Carrie Mackins; her son, Joe L.

Tucker Jr.; her grandson, Joevelus Tucker; her brothers, Robert

Earl Mackins, Herbert Van Mackins, and Cecil Eugene Mackins;

WHEREAS, Emmer Tucker was preceded in death by her parents,

- 5 her sister, Florence Ann Roddy; her mother-in-law and
- 6 father-in-law, Curtis and Freddie Mae Tucker; her
- 7 brothers-in-law, Curtis, Jesse, Ronald, and Randy Tucker; and
- 8 her sister-in-law, Johnnie Mae Sharpe-Matthews; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Emmer Tucker is survived by her husband of almost 10 60 years, Joe; her son, Derwin Tucker; her daughters, Yolanda 11 (Reginald) Hulittle, and Annette Tucker and Carmen (Lovely) 12 Walker; her 12 grandchildren, Jovan (Corey) Holder, Sir Joseph 13 (Erica) Tucker, Valencia Tucker, Jessica Tucker, Joe Tucker 14 III, Victoria (Reggie) Smith, Kadejah Dorris, Kameron Tucker, 15 Kennedi Hulittle, Elyjah Bailey, McKenzi Hulittle, and Zion 16 Tucker; her great-grandchildren, Jaydon Noel, Jayla Holder, Olivia Pittman, Camille Holder, Jerzi Ramirez, Zahavah Bailey, 17 18 Corey Holder Jr., and Reggie Smith Jr.; many friends; her extra 19 special friend, Katie Ulmer; and numerous nieces and nephews; 20 therefore, be it
  - RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Emmer Jean Tucker and extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it

- 1 further
- 2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 3 presented to the family of Emmer Tucker as an expression of our
- 4 deepest sympathy.