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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Mary
4 Joyce "Mae Joyce" (Faulkner) Anderson-Farris of Peoria, who
5 passed away on February 3, 2025; and

6 WHEREAS, Mae Joyce Anderson-Farris was born to Sam and
7 Cenilious (Petty) Faulkner in Scotts, Mississippi; and

8 WHEREAS, Mae Joyce Anderson-Farris previously worked at
9 the Workforce Development Office before serving as a dedicated
10 bus driver for Peoria District 150 for many years, retiring in
11 2006; and

12 WHEREAS, Mae Joyce Anderson-Farris committed to her faith
13 at a young age and was a charter member of New Cornerstone
14 Baptist Church, where she served as an usher; and

15 WHEREAS, Mae Joyce Anderson-Farris was an avid reader, a
16 devoted watcher of soap operas and game shows, and a great
17 storyteller; and

18 WHEREAS, Mae Joyce Anderson-Farris served as a pillar of
19 strength, wisdom, and boundless love; her life was a testament
20 to faith and unwavering kindness; she was a devoted wife,

1 mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother who cherished her
2 family more than anything; and

3 WHEREAS, Mae Joyce Anderson-Farris was preceded in death
4 by her parents; her sisters, Hattie B. Mason, Ida Mae Bryant,
5 Willie Sam Williams, Corine "Nell" McClain, Augusta "Snook"
6 Faulkner, and Curtistine Young; and her brothers, E.B.
7 Faulkner, Douglas Faulkner, Grover Faulkner, and Roosevelt
8 Faulkner; and

9 WHEREAS, Mae Joyce Anderson-Farris is survived by her
10 husband of 39 years, Michael J. Farris; her daughters, Kecia
11 (Reverend Demetrius) Randle, Trinkia Anderson, and Jalisa
12 Anderson; her brother, Wardell "Ward" (Willielean) Faulkner;
13 eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; her godson, Tyne
14 Bryson; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended
15 family, and friends; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
17 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
18 we mourn the passing of Mary Joyce "Mae Joyce" (Faulkner)
19 Anderson-Farris and extend our sincere condolences to her
20 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
21 further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Mae Joyce Anderson-Farris as an
2 expression of our deepest sympathy.