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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to  
3 learn of the death of Elbert Freeman Sr., who passed away on  
4 May 8, 2019; and

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WHEREAS, Elbert Freeman Sr. was born in Emelle, Alabama to  
Gertrude and Louis Freeman on July 24, 1931; he committed to  
7 his faith at an early age at the Jones Missionary Baptist  
8 Church in Emelle, Alabama; while attending church, he met  
9 Ruthie Yarbrough; they married in 1952; they moved to St.  
10 Louis, Missouri and finally settled in Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Elbert Freeman Sr. worked in the Electro Motors  
Division at General Motors and retired after 27 years of  
service; and

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WHEREAS, Elbert Freeman was a member of Mt. Pleasant MB  
Church, where he served as a Sunday school teacher for many  
years; he later moved his membership to St. Mark MB Church,  
where he faithfully served as a teacher and was ordained a  
deacon; he enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening, and spending  
time with his grandchildren; and

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WHEREAS, Elbert Freeman Sr. was preceded in death by his  
four sisters and his three brothers; and

1           WHEREAS, Elbert Freeman Sr. is survived by his wife,  
2 Ruthie; his daughter, Patricia (Donald); his son, Elbert Jr.  
3 (Stacey); his sisters, Fannie, Edna, and Mary (Wendell); his  
4 brother, James; his grandchildren, Marcus, Stacey, Jordan,  
5 Christian, and Gabriel; and his many nieces, nephews, cousins,  
6 and friends; therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL  
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
9 Elbert Freeman Sr. and extend our sincere condolences to his  
10 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
11 further

12           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to the family of Elbert Freeman Sr. as an expression  
14 of our deepest sympathy.