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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Theotha Lane, who passed away on April 6, 2021; and

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WHEREAS, Theotha Lane was born in Inverness, Mississippi to Marion Sr. and Francis Lane on August 15, 1947; he was a member of Holy Grove Church and attended Gentry Elementary School; his family relocated to Chicago, where he graduated from John Marshall High School; he married Mary Lane on August 29, 1977, and they shared 41 years of marriage with a blended family of seven children; and

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WHEREAS, Theotha Lane worked at Courtesy Food, Daniel's Country, and Johnnie's; he also worked for General Motors and then at Chatham Foods; he later worked at County Fair, where he retired as a produce manager; he owned a grocery store on the West Side of Chicago, created "Honey Do" Delivery Services, and was known as DJ "Hangout Daddy" on the West and South Sides of Chicago for over 30 years; and

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WHEREAS, Theotha Lane attended Prince of Peace Missionary Baptist Church, where he served as a choir member with the Male Choir; he later joined the Everlasting Love Outreach Ministry, where he served as a deacon and chairman; and

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1 WHEREAS, Theotha Lane was affectionately known as
2 "Rooster"; he enjoyed being a Precinct Captain in the 16th
3 Ward and had a heart for service and a love for people; he
4 enjoyed singing songs by The Canton Spirituals and The
5 Williams Brothers and was an avant gardener with a beautiful
6 green thumb; he loved playing double fifteen dominoes with his
7 brother Arthur and his brother-in-law Eldridge; and

8 WHEREAS, Theotha Lane was preceded in death by his
9 sisters, Sara, Beulah, Carrie, Sue, and Mae Emma; his
10 brothers, Marion Jr., Jimmy, Clinton, and Louis; his
11 granddaughter, Brianna Jenkins; and his grandson, Dwayne
12 Jones; and

13 WHEREAS, Theotha Lane is survived by his children, Abigail
14 (Elliot) Lagrone, Verleaner Lane, Dwayne (Adela) Jones,
15 Camille Lane, Mary F. Lane-Jenkins, Leslie Harris, and Tommie
16 Harris; his brothers, Arthur (Margie) Lane and Rev. Leonard
17 (Amy) Lane; his brothers-in-law, Eldridge Glover and Kenneth
18 (Loretta) Byest; his sisters-in-law, LaVern Lane, Carolyn
19 Lane, Linda Lane, Linda (Saul) Nutall, Odean Burks, and Bobbie
20 (Zeb) Hinds; his 12 grandchildren and eight
21 great-grandchildren; his Godson, Renaldo Moore; his special
22 daughter, TiChina Barrett; numerous nieces, nephews, family,
23 and friends; and his dog, Rusty; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
2 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
3 we mourn the passing of Theotha Lane and extend our sincere
4 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
5 him; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Theotha Lane as an expression of our
8 deepest sympathy.