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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 Chandra 4 Dion Battle Blanks, who passed away on April 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Chandra Blanks was born to Reverend Leroy Battle and Helen Battle in Bellwood on November 23, 1971; she committed to her faith at an early age and was baptized at Garfield Park Baptist Church in Chicago; she attended Proviso High School, where she excelled at playing the clarinet in band and singing in the gospel choir, and graduated in 1989; she was listed in the 1987-1988 edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students; she graduated from Michigan State University in 1993 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing; she married Marq Blanks, and they had three children together; and

16 WHEREAS, Chandra Blanks worked in various positions for an 17 established insurance company for over 28 years and was 18 recognized many times for her excellence; and

WHEREAS, Chandra Blanks was a faithful and devoted member of New Life Ambassadors for Christ Christian Church; and

21 WHEREAS, Chandra Blanks enjoyed volunteering in her

- 1 community, traveling, movies, and spending time with her
- 2 children; she especially loved chocolate; she had a contagious
- 3 laugh and made friends everywhere she went; she was a loving
- 4 and devoted mother, an excellent big sister, a loyal daughter,
- 5 a fun-loving cousin, and a thoughtful friend and colleague;
- 6 and
- WHEREAS, Chandra Blanks is survived by her parents; her
- 8 children, Quinton, Joslyn, and Mia Blanks; her sister,
- 9 Shaquita Battle; her aunts and uncles; her cousins; and her
- 10 friends; therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 12 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- we mourn the passing of Chandra Dion Battle Blanks and extend
- our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who
- knew and loved her; and be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to the family of Chandra Blanks as an expression of
- our deepest sympathy.