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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Donald Eugene Brandon, who passed away on December 29, 2021; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Brandon was born to Donald Eldridge Brandon and Charlotte Yvette Brown Brandon in Springfield on March 6, 1962; he was baptized at Union Baptist Church as a child and served there as a Jr. Usher; he attended Springfield Public Schools and graduated from Springfield Southeast High School where he was a standout point guard for the Southeast High School basketball team; he received an associate degree from Monmouth College; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Brandon later began working as a security guard at Southeast High School; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Brandon was a die-hard Southeast High School fan who could always be seen on the sidelines cheering on his beloved Southeast Spartans; he was affectionately called "Donnie B." or "Mr. Spartan" and took great pride in representing his Spartans against the crosstown rival Lanphier Lions; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Brandon was preceded in death by his

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2 WHEREAS, Donald Brandon is survived by his daughters,
3 Donita Brandon and Donnesha Brandon; his son, Rovale D. Reese;
4 his father and stepmother, Donald and Arlene Brandon; his nine
5 grandchildren; his aunts, Gladys Richie, Betty J. White, and
6 Velma Rucker; his uncle, Nathan (Colleen) Brown; his special
7 cousin, Rosemary Nash; his stepsisters, Tina (Tony) Crawford,
8 Debra (Lorenzo) Link, and Donna Ester; his stepbrothers, Roy
9 Williams Jr. and Michael (Doris) Williams; his cousins; and
10 his friends; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
13 Donald Eugene Brandon and extend our sincere condolences to
14 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
15 further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Donald Brandon as an expression of
18 our deepest sympathy.