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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 Dr. Rose Marie McCoy, who passed away on September 13, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Rose McCoy was born to Samuel Sr. and Jennie Eliza Merle (Turnage) Evans on September 24, 1951, the third of nine children; she committed to her faith in 1976 and later joined Dixmoor Apostolic House of Prayer Church; she married William McCoy; and

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WHEREAS, Rose McCoy was licensed as a certified nursing assistant, and later, received an Honorary Doctor of Divinity from Midwest Bible College; and

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WHEREAS, Rose McCoy worked as a bookkeeper, office clerk, CNA, and held various positions in the manufacturing industry before working in ministry and assuming the office of pastor; and

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WHEREAS, Rose McCoy and her husband founded Brothers Keeper Outreach Church; later, they founded the Brothers Keeper Community Resource Center and the IPAE Network, Faith and Family Consultants; and

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1 WHEREAS, Rose McCoy was kind, tolerant, given to
2 hospitality, and had a great sense of humor; she was always
3 proud of her children's accomplishments; she was soft spoken
4 and reserved unless preaching, where she displayed a bold and
5 explosive passion; and

6 WHEREAS, Rose McCoy led a life of honorable service,
7 punctuated by selfless dedication, unwavering devotion, and
8 unconditional love; she wore many hats, literally and
9 figuratively, and profoundly touched the lives of many in
10 manifold ways through her service, her resources, and her
11 example; and

12 WHEREAS, Rose McCoy was preceded in death by her parents;
13 her daughter, Billie McCoy-Thomas; and her siblings, Ida Belle
14 Evans, Gloria Glass, Ernestine Evans, and Stanley Evans; and

15 WHEREAS, Rose McCoy is survived by her husband of 57
16 years, Chief Apostle Dr. William McCoy; her children, Victoria
17 (Ocie) McCoy-Salter, Vanessa (Toriano) McCoy-Pulphus, Debracia
18 (Otis) McCoy-Jones, Major Lee McCoy, and Otis McCoy; her bonus
19 sons, William Lorenzo McCoy and William Lester (Heather)
20 McCoy; her foster son, Calvin Hurt; 19 grandchildren; nine
21 great-grandchildren; her sister-in-Law, Minister Estelle
22 McCoy-Gogins; her siblings, Janell Byrd, Gwendolyn Hills,
23 Patricia Akwaboah, and Samuel (Ashley) Evans Jr.; and numerous

1 nieces, nephews, cousins, Godchildren, spiritual children,
2 friends, ministry colleagues, and the members of Brothers
3 Keeper's Outreach Church and the IPAE Network; therefore, be
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5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
7 Dr. Rose Marie McCoy and extend our sincere condolences to his
8 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Rose McCoy as an expression of our
12 deepest sympathy.