

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of  
3 the State of Illinois learned with deep regret of the death  
4 of Laura Washington on Wednesday, August 13, 2003; and

5 WHEREAS, Mrs. Washington was born on April 12, 1902 in  
6 Arkansas City, Arkansas, to George and Melvina Reed; she was  
7 the oldest of 9 children and was preceded in death by 7 of  
8 her siblings; she married Reverend Shed Washington; and

9 WHEREAS, Mrs. Washington moved to Chicago where she  
10 joined Beautiful Zion Missionary Baptist Church, where she  
11 served faithfully as Pastor and Nurses Aide; later, she  
12 served on the Mother's Board; and

13 WHEREAS, The passing of Laura Washington has been deeply  
14 felt by her sister, Myrtle Blackman, and her many nieces,  
15 nephews, and friends; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
17 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
18 we mourn the passing of Mrs. Laura Washington, and we offer  
19 our deepest sympathy to her friends, family, and all who knew  
20 and loved her; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
22 presented to the family of Mrs. Laura Washington as an  
23 expression of our sincere condolences.