



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the
3 State of Illinois learned with great sadness of the death of
4 Naomi Grant on August 3, 2004; and

5 WHEREAS, Naomi Grant was born on December 2, 1911, in
6 Grenada, Mississippi; she was the eleventh of fifteen children
7 born to the union of Thomas and Mender Moore; and

8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Grant came to Chicago in her youth and was
9 educated in the Chicago Public Schools and graduated from
10 Wendell Phillips High School in 1930; she married Henry Grant
11 in 1932 and they had four sons, Henry Jr., Raymond, Donald, and
12 Jamus; and

13 WHEREAS, She was employed by the historic South
14 Center/Fuller Department Store; while at South Center, she was
15 an active member of the AFL-CIO Labor Union and was outspoken
16 against wage and discrimination issues; she later was employed
17 at Evans Furriers, where she earned recognition for
18 "Outstanding Salesperson" for more than ten consecutive years;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Mrs. Grant was an active member of the Grant
21 Memorial AME Church, where she served on a number of
22 auxiliaries, and was a Bible class leader and a matron; and

23 WHEREAS, The passing of Naomi Grant will be deeply felt by
24 many including her devoted sons, Henry Jr. (Jean), Raymond
25 (Lynn), and Jamus Grant; her "play daughter", Ethel Lawrence;
26 her special friend, William Fuller; her 15 grandchildren; her
27 30 great-grandchildren; her 10 great-great-grandchildren; her
28 10 first generation nieces and nephews; and a host of relatives
29 and friends; and

1 WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by her parents, and all
2 of her siblings; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
5 mourn the passing of Naomi Grant along with all who knew and
6 loved her and extend our sincere condolences to her family and
7 friends; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Naomi Grant as an expression of our
10 deepest sympathy.