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condolences.

WHEREAS, State Representative Monique D. Davis and the 2 3 members of the House of Representatives of the State of 4 Illinois learned with sadness of the death of Charlie B. 5 Ragland, Sr., of Memphis, Tennessee, on Monday, January 9, 2006; and 6 7 WHEREAS, He graduated from Barrets Chapel High School, 8 which he attended from kindergarten through twelfth grade; and 9 WHEREAS, He valiantly served our country as a member of the U.S. Army for three years; he married Aretta Westbrook Ragland 10 in 1948; together, they shared 58 years and parented four sons 11 and four daughters; and 12 13 WHEREAS, Mr. Ragland was a lifelong church leader at Oak Spring Baptist Church in Arlington, Tennessee; he was retired 14 from E.I. DuPont Chemical Co.; and 15 WHEREAS, Mr. Ragland's son, Alan V. Ragland, is the Senior 16 Pastor of Third Baptist Church of Chicago, located in the 17 18 legislative district of State Representative Monique D. Davis; therefore, be it 19 20 BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF RESOLVED, THE 21 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 22 we mourn the passing of Mr. Charlie B. Ragland, Sr., and we 23 extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and all who 24 knew and loved him; and be it further 25 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to his family as an expression of our sincerest 26

HOUSE RESOLUTION