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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of Agatha Simmonds of North Chicago on Saturday, January 21, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Simmonds was born on July 9, 1903 in St. Catherine, Jamaica; she migrated to the United States in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Simmonds was a member of Living Faith United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Simmonds was blessed with a long life that was filled with love; at the time of her death, she was 102 years old; and

WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by three sons, three daughters, and a great-grandson; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Agatha Simmonds has been deeply felt by many, especially her daughters, Victoria (Cecil) Rodney, Florida Levy, and Cacheta Francis; her son, Donald Francis; her grandchildren, Sandra (Joseph) Sproul, Patrick Menzie, Lelcent (Stephane) Menzie, Derrick (Pamela) Francis, Novia (Eric) Hewitt, Opal Francis, Novlette and Ryan Francis, Caroline Francis, and Lakeisha and Lateisha Gooden; her twenty-three great-grandchildren; her ten great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Agatha Simmonds, and we extend our sincerest condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to her family as an expression of our deepest  
3 sympathy for their loss.