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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of Ronald Victor Rouse of Orlando, Florida, formerly of East St. Louis, on Friday, June 30, 2006; and

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WHEREAS, He was born to John H. Rouse and Mary G. Rouse on December 29, 1970, in Henderson, Kentucky; he moved with his family to East Saint Louis in 1975; he accepted Christ and was baptized at a very young age at the Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church under the pastorate of his father, Pastor John H. Rouse; and

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WHEREAS, He was a very active youth in Mt. Zion, serving as a youth usher and in the youth choir and winning the hearts of many of the older adults; he graduated from Lincoln Sr. High School in East St. Louis; and

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WHEREAS, After graduating from high school, Mr. Rouse attended Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach, Florida, where he received his Bachelors of Arts degree in computer science and was a member of the nationally known Concert Chorale as a baritone/bass singer; and

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WHEREAS, Following graduation, he decided to make Florida his permanent home; he attended the Mt. Olive Church in Orlando, Florida; he went on to pursue a Masters of Business Administration Degree, graduating from the St. Louis Campus of Webster College; he then began work on his doctorate degree and had a year and a half left to complete his studies; and

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WHEREAS, He was employed at the Sun Trust Bank of Orlando, Florida, where he made many friends; he was a fun-loving person that enjoyed making people laugh; and

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1 WHEREAS, The passing of Ronald Victor Rouse has been deeply
2 felt by many, especially his father and mother, John H. and
3 Mary G. Rouse; his brothers, Darius John and Walter Roy; his
4 sisters, Velvet Rochelle and Brandi Rene; his grandmother,
5 Evelyn Rouse; his aunt, Sylvia Glass; many that he called his
6 brothers and sisters; his other relatives; and his many
7 friends; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
10 Ronald Victor Rouse, and we extend our sincere condolences to
11 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest
15 sympathy.