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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives and State Representative Monique D. Davis are saddened to learn of the death of Donald Young of Chicago, who passed away December 23, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Young was born on April 5, 1960 to Norma Jean Kendricks Young; he accepted Christ at an early age and directed a choir at his church during his childhood; he was a 1978 graduate of Thornridge High School; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Young worked for Johnson Products, Garden State Life Insurance Company, for Trinity United Church of Christ, and at Mount Sinai Hospital during his life; he studied to become a physician's assistant and worked to complete his education; he earned his Associate of Arts degree as a physician's assistant at Malcolm X College and earned his Bachelor's degree at Chicago State University; in May 2007 he earned his Master's degree in education at the University of Illinois (Circle Campus); he taught the fourth grade at Guggenheim Elementary School; and

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WHEREAS, During his studies to become a physician's assistant, Donald Young received the Marcelle Williams Scholarship for Excellence in Medical Studies; and

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1 WHEREAS, Donald Young was a member of Trinity United Church
2 of Christ and a founding member of the Sanctuary Choir; he was
3 an ordained deacon of the church, and served as director of the
4 Music Department; he was a member of the Gospel Music Workshop
5 of America (GMWA) and the Gospel Music According to Chicago
6 (GMAC) with his friend and teacher, Dr. Jeffrey Paul Radford;
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8 WHEREAS, The passing of Donald Young will be deeply felt by
9 his mother, Norma Jean Kendricks Young; his sisters, Delores,
10 Lorraine, and Henrietta Young; his brothers, Joseph, James
11 (Tammy), and Augustine Young; his aunt, Mamie Kendricks; his
12 uncles, Leroy Kendricks (Diane), Fred Collins (Vernita),
13 Robert Collins, and Edward Collins (Maria); his Godmother,
14 Evelyn Jones; his Godchildren, Kris Squalls, Jerry Lee, Jr.,
15 Demarrius Patton, and Christina Reed; a host of nieces and
16 nephews; other relatives; and his friends and family from
17 Trinity United Church of Christ; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
19 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
20 mourn, along with his many family members and friends, the
21 passing of Donald Young; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Donald Young as a symbol of our
2 sincere sympathy.