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## SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Michael Seaton of Chicago, who passed 4 away on January 11, 2008; and

5 WHEREAS, Michael Seaton was born on May 26, 1959 in Chicago 6 to the late Edward Benjamin Seaton and Barbara Jean Seaton; he 7 attended and graduated from Shoop Elementary School and Morgan 8 Park High School located in Chicago; he later attended Loop 9 Junior College and Malcolm X College where he completed 10 coursework in computer technology; he earned numerous certificates and accolades for his computer expertise; and 11

12 WHEREAS, Michael Seaton began his career in the computer 13 field with Hewlett Packard during the early 1980s; repairing 14 and building computers was a passion that he freely shared; Michael and his wife began the process for a not-for-profit 15 organization (Kelechi Enterprise), so that he could share his 16 knowledge and gifts on a larger scale before his passing; at 17 18 the time of his death, he was employed as а System 19 Administrator at Advocate Trinity Hospital; and

20 WHEREAS, On February 19, 2000, Michael was united in Holy 21 Matrimony to Melody L. Crim; during their nearly 8 years of 22 marriage, Michael was a devoted husband and loving step-father, SR0510 -2- LRB095 18729 KXB 44834 r who was affectionately called "Pops" by his children and their friends; and

3 WHEREAS, In May of 2004, Michael heard the Lord's voice and 4 joined his family in membership at Covenant United Church of 5 Christ; Covenant became Michael's second home as he faithfully 6 and enthusiastically served in the media and computer 7 ministries; and

8 WHEREAS, Michael Seaton's memory will be cherished by his 9 devoted wife Melody; his two stepchildren, Veronique and 10 Ernest; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, James and Ollie 11 Knight; his brother, Lawrence (Lorna) Seaton; his sisters, 12 Deborah Seaton and LaDonna (Thomas) Hyde; his sisters-in-law, 13 Millicent (Harvey) Echols and Monica (Will) Smith; Jaylen and 14 Jahmal Smith, who are known as "Uncle Mike's fans"; childhood 15 friends Sam Purvis, Golan Rowe, and Keith Malone; and a host of nieces, nephews, friends, and co-workers; therefore, be it 16

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL 18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with 19 his family and friends, the passing of Michael Seaton; and be 20 it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 22 presented to the family of Michael Seaton as a symbol of our SR0510

1 sympathy.