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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Mamie Ruth Chapman, who passed away on January 9, 2008; and

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WHEREAS, Mamie Chapman was born on July 25, 1933 in Clarksdale, Mississippi; she was the fifth of nine children born to Otis Joe and Callie Allen; and

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WHEREAS, Mamie Chapman moved to Chicago in the early 1950s, where she met and later married William Chapman; and

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WHEREAS, Mamie Chapman was a faithful and devoted employee of the Drackett Company until the company's closing; she also supported herself by baking cakes and sewing; and

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WHEREAS, Mamie Chapman enjoyed entertaining in her early years; she also enjoyed an annual outing at Old Country Buffet with her retired co-workers at the Drackett Company; and

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WHEREAS, Mamie Chapman was preceded in death by her parents; her son, Curtis (Ameen); her grandson, Fareed; and her siblings, Henry and Van Allen; and

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WHEREAS, Mamie Chapman is survived by her grandchildren,

1 Aameena and Remeen; her great-grandchildren, Rakeda and Daniel;
2 her daughter-in-law, Priscilla; her siblings, Gwendolyn Allen,
3 Joe Allen, Juanita Perry, Marion Allen, James Allen, and Mary
4 Allen; her surrogate daughters, Anita and Chick; her special
5 friend, Diane Baker; and her many nieces, nephews, relatives,
6 and dear friends; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
9 her family and friends, the passing of Mamie Ruth Chapman; and
10 be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Mamie Chapman as an expression of
13 our sympathy.