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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Inell Brewer, who passed away on April 5, 4 2013; and

5 WHEREAS, Inell Brewer was born as Johnnie Mae Ervin on 6 January 16, 1930, in Lexington, Mississippi; her parents were 7 John and Elnora Ervin; her father changed her name to Inell 8 when she was 2 years old; and

9 WHEREAS, Inell Brewer later moved to Chicago and married 10 Burney Brewer in 1952; to this union, 9 children were born; 11 from 1952 to 1979, she and her family lived on the near north 12 side and Cabrini-Green housing projects, before relocating to 13 the west side of Chicago; and

14 WHEREAS, Inell Brewer was a domestic engineer and also 15 served as a hairdresser for her family and friends; and

16 WHEREAS, Inell Brewer was a member of Mt Olivet M.B. 17 Church, under the leadership of Rev. Fred Daniels, Rev. Steve 18 C. Chew, and Rev. Ray C. Bonney, as well as Little Rock M.B. 19 Church, under the leadership of Rev. Leroy Davenport; she was 20 also a member of Holy Corinthian M.B. Church, under the 21 leadership of Rev. C.T. Baker; she finally became a member of SR0261 -2- LRB098 11745 GRL 44723 r Union Hill Baptist Church in order to be with her husband; at each church, she was an active choir member and led several songs, including "Lord You've Been Good to Me"; and

4 WHEREAS, Inell Brewer enjoyed cooking, especially for her 5 grandchildren, and singing praises to God; and

6 WHEREAS, Inell Brewer is survived by her daughters, Thelma 7 (Kenneth) Griffin, Jeffery Pearl Cocroft, Sandra Jean (Hubert) 8 Phillips, Denise Brewer, Geraldine Sutton, Sharon Lanette, and 9 Anastasia Lavonne Baker; her sons, Ollie and Andrew Wayne; her 10 daughter-in-law, Joyce Brewer; her brother-in-law, Frank 11 Phillips; her sisters-in-law, Lou Emma Brewer, Stella Brewer, 12 and Louise Brewer; her grandchildren, Nikia Alicia (James) Ward, Tanisha Nicole Brewer, Tony Jerome, Jr. (Asha) Sutton, 13 14 Grant Phillip Brewer, Darrius Diontae Sutton, Tashiana Cheri 15 Phillips, Sean Lamar Brewer, Kyla Shardae, Jerome II, and Kristen Madison Baker; her great-granddaughters, Raven Tuere 16 17 Hams and Sophie Sutton; and her many nieces, nephews, cousins, 18 friends, and members of the Union Hill family; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL 20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with 21 his family and friends, the passing of Inell Brewer; and be it 22 further SR0261 -3- LRB098 11745 GRL 44723 r RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Inell Brewer as an expression of our sympathy.