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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 Eliza Butler Jones of North Chicago, who passed away on May 5, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Eliza Jones was born in Bernice, Louisiana on March 5, 1924 to Ollie and Rebecca Davis; growing up, she was a member of Shiloh Baptist Church in Bernice; and

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WHEREAS, Eliza Jones moved to Evanston in 1948 and spent many years as a domiciliary worker; and

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WHEREAS, Eliza Jones was a member of the Second Baptist Church, where she was a lead soloist, and later joined Springfield Baptist Church, where she also sang in the choir; in 1976, she moved to North Chicago and joined St. Paul Baptist Church; she later became a member of Christian Valley Missionary Baptist Church, where she served on the Mother Board and was a devoted giver; and

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WHEREAS, Eliza Jones was preceded in death by her father, Ollie Davis; her mother, Rebecca Davis; brother, O.D. Davis; a sister, Linda Fay Kennedy; a niece, Bridget Davis; and 2 nephews, Roderick Davis and Elijah Cooper; and

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1 WHEREAS, Eliza Jones is survived by her 2 sisters, Lena Mae
2 Scott and Audrey H. Nixon; a sister-in-law, Ruthie Davis; and a
3 host of nieces, nephews, and cousins; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
6 Eliza Butler Jones, and extend our sincere condolences to her
7 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Eliza Jones as an expression of our
11 deepest sympathy.