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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Reverend  
4 Edward L. "Shorty" Alsip of Marion, who passed away on July 3,  
5 2015; and

6           WHEREAS, Rev. Alsip was born in Creal Springs on November  
7 15, 1935 to Edward Ellis and Mary Polly (nee Newton) Alsip; he  
8 graduated from Crab Orchard High School in 1953 and was united  
9 in marriage to Charlene "Tiner" Duke on August 31, 1957 in  
10 Corinth, Mississippi; and

11           WHEREAS, Rev. Alsip worked at the American Can Company of  
12 Chicago; he then worked for Jake's Tire in Marion and for  
13 Fabick Machinery in Marion, where he worked for 33 years,  
14 retiring in 1998; and

15           WHEREAS, Rev. Alsip was baptized and became a lay minister  
16 in the Methodist Church in Creal Springs before joining Mount  
17 Moriah General Baptist Church, where he was ordained in the  
18 late 1960s and preached for 8 years; he then moved to  
19 Spillertown Baptist Church, where he preached for over 23  
20 years, retiring in April of 2008; he came out of retirement and  
21 preached at the Reynoldsburg Church for 3 years; he lead  
22 numerous revivals, performed countless marriages, and presided

1 over many funerals; and

2 WHEREAS, Rev. Alsip was a member of the Ohio Association of  
3 General Baptists of Southern Illinois and the International  
4 Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers; he enjoyed  
5 riding his Can-Am motorcycle and the fellowship of his friends  
6 at the Marion Senior Citizens Center; and

7 WHEREAS, Rev. Alsip was preceded in death by his parents;  
8 his son, James Ellis Alsip; and his wife, Charlene; and

9 WHEREAS, Rev. Alsip is survived by his daughter and  
10 son-in-law, Sherry and John Lazorchak; his son and  
11 daughter-in-law, Keith and Becky Alsip; his son, Ricky Alsip  
12 and companion, Theresa Avants; his 4 grandchildren, Hannah  
13 Lazorchak and her fiancé, Carl Brooks, Joshua Lazorchak,  
14 Matthew Alsip, and Abigail Alsip; his sister and  
15 brother-in-law, Linda and Jim Robertson; other extended  
16 family; and many friends; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
18 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
19 mourn the passing of Reverend Edward L. "Shorty" Alsip, and  
20 extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all  
21 who knew and loved him; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to the family of Rev. Alsip as an expression of our  
3 deepest sympathy.