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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Venola Mary Lowery, who passed away on March 23, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Venola Lowery was born on August 13, 1952 in Morgan City, Mississippi; her parents were George W. and Alice M. Davis; she married Charles Lowery in 1950; and

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WHEREAS, In 1943, Venola Lowery and her family moved to Chicago, where she attended Douglas Elementary and Wendell Phillips High School; in 1946, she became a member of Pleasant Green Missionary Baptist Church; during her time at the church, she was a member of the Matrons Auxiliary (later known as the Steven C. Chew Mission Circle); and

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WHEREAS, Venola Lowery was a homemaker who was well known for her lemon cream pies; and

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WHEREAS, Venola Lowery was an active member and participant in the McCray Family Reunion Chicago Chapter; she was also a member of the 7300 S. Eberhart Block Club and the Park Manor Neighbors Association; and

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WHEREAS, Venola Lowery enjoyed spending time with her

1 family, traveling to family reunions, and decorating at
2 Christmastime; and

3 WHEREAS, Venola Lowery was preceded in death by her
4 parents; her daughter, Charlestine; and her siblings, George
5 Jr. and Hyman; and

6 WHEREAS, Venola Lowery is survived by her son, Tony
7 (Montrice); her grandchildren, Marlon Porter, Jihan Strange,
8 Marvin Porter, and Madison Lowery; her great-grandchildren,
9 Michael Cox Jr., Jayda Cox, Sanyah Lowery, and Christa
10 Childress; her sisters, Mary Blake and Mary Corrine (Benjamin)
11 Perkins; her brother, John Moore; her nieces, Ereatha Clayborn,
12 Alicia Harris, Dianna Davis-Small, Tonie Payne, and Alicia
13 Junkins; her nephews, Anthony Davis, Alvin Harris III, George
14 Davis III, and Quincy Davis; her sister-in-law, Janet Davis;
15 and her many great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins,
16 including her oldest and dearest cousin, Mabel Fields;
17 therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
19 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
20 we, along with her family and friends, mourn the passing of
21 Venola Mary Lowery; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Venola Lowery as an expression of
2 our sympathy.