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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Christine Crushella "Chris" Radford-Eastern, who passed away on October 14, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Christine Radford-Eastern was born in St. Louis, Missouri to Johnnie Sr. and Jacqueline Cotton Radford on October 11, 1970; she grew up in Parkside and graduated from East St. Louis Senior High School in 1988, where she was named Homecoming Queen; she later graduated from The Academy School of Beauty Culture and became a licensed cosmetologist; she married Robert "Bobby" Eastern III in Sarasota, Florida on June 8, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Christine Radford-Eastern was employed briefly with the Casino Queen; she then worked at Diva 226 Salon; she later moved to The Mainstreet Salon; in 2005, she became co-owner and signature master stylist at Jaqueline's Salon; she became one of the premier designers of hair and a personal stylist in the bi-state area; and

WHEREAS, Christine Radford-Eastern was baptized at her home church, Power of Change Christian Church; and

WHEREAS, Christine Radford-Eastern was preceded in death

1 by her father, Johnnie; her grandmother; and her nephews, DeJan
2 Raphael Radford, and Jeremiah DeJan Radford; and

3 WHEREAS, Christine Radford-Eastern is survived by her
4 husband, Robert; her children, Christian Cooper, Ra'VeN,
5 D'Moi, Shayvon, D'Wan, and Robert Eastern IV; her mother,
6 Jaqueline (Frank) Smith; her brothers, Johnnie (Tamaria)
7 Radford, Jeremiah (Felicia) Radford, and David Smith; her
8 sisters, Amanie Smith, Teresa Harris, and Jessica Radford; her
9 aunt, Diane Cotton; her special traveling nurse and aunt, Lorna
10 Sanders; her uncles, Ronald Carpenter, and Donald (Donna)
11 Carpenter; her godmothers, Billie Jean Thornton, and Dorcas
12 Jackson; her godsisters, Demetria McPherson, and Samantha
13 Jackson; her goddaughter, Tahira Nash; her "besties", Shantel
14 Nfiller, Nfichelle Hopkins-Harris, Gina Jones-Manual, Dettra
15 Blakely-Fields, Cassandra Carter, Laton Chairs, and Eudora
16 Lawary; her special cousins, Amandra Cotton-Jones, and Enita
17 Johnson-Rodgers; Bobby's Angels; and a host of nieces, nephews,
18 cousins, relatives, and friends; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
21 Christine Crushella "Chris" Radford-Eastern, and extend our
22 sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew
23 and loved her; and be it further

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