

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to express their sincere condolences to
4 the family and friends of Cheryl Lavender, who recently
5 passed away; and

6 WHEREAS, Cheryl Lavender was born in Chicago, Illinois;
7 to the union of Josephine and Raymond Adkins, Sr.; and

8 WHEREAS, She was a graduate of Corpus Christi High
9 School; she was baptized and confirmed at Corpus Christi
10 Catholic Church; in the fall of 1991 she joined True Vine
11 Baptist Church where she accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Cheryl Lavender worked as an accounting
14 supervisor for Chicago Metropolitan Insurance Company for
15 thirty-one years before her retirement; Mrs. Lavender was a
16 political activist who worked as a staffer for the late Mayor
17 Harold Washington's Political Education Project; she served
18 as the 9th Ward Coordinator for the Washington for Mayor
19 campaign in 1983 and the 2nd Congressional District
20 Coordinator for his re-election in 1987; and

21 WHEREAS, Cheryl Lavender married her childhood
22 sweetheart, Leo Lavender, in 1971; and

23 WHEREAS, Cheryl Lavender worked with many political
24 campaigns, including those of Senator Paul Simon, State
25 Representative Connie Howard, Alderman Tim Evans, Congressman
26 Bobby Rush and Congressman Charlie Hayes; and many others
27 from the State of Illinois; and

28 WHEREAS, The passing of Cheryl Lavender will be deeply
29 felt by all who loved and were touched by her, especially her
30 loving husband, Leo; her daughter, Angela (husband, Ken)
31 Jackson; her grandchildren, K.K. and Kayla; her mother,

1 Josephine Adkins; her sister, Diane (husband, James) Davis;
2 her brother, Raymond (wife, Genny) Adkins; her Uncle Howard;
3 her two great-aunts; her many nieces and nephews; and her
4 many friends; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
7 we mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of
8 Cheryl Lavender; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Cheryl Lavender.