

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to
3 express their sincere condolences to the family and friends
4 of Roosevelt "Rose" Wright, who passed away on April 20,
5 2001; and

6 WHEREAS, Roosevelt Wright was born on March 15, 1935, in
7 Durham, North Carolina to the late Theodore R. Wright and
8 Cynthia S. Wright; and

9 WHEREAS, Roosevelt Wright graduated from Hillside High
10 School in 1953, and he was a graduate of McCoy's Barber
11 School; and

12 WHEREAS, Roosevelt Wright was a veteran of the United
13 States Air Force serving from 1954 until 1958; and

14 WHEREAS, Roosevelt Wright worked in construction for a
15 number of years; in addition he worked at Martin Metals,
16 American Motors, Goodyear, and sold insurance for United
17 Insurance; his greatest joy was cutting hair at Dave's Barber
18 Shop in North Chicago where over the years his clients
19 included members of the Chicago Bears and Chicago Bulls; and

20 WHEREAS, Roosevelt Wright was a dedicated artist; his art
21 work was often seen on the high school football fields in
22 Waukegan, North Chicago, and Libertyville; and

23 WHEREAS, Roosevelt Wright was a Master Mason under the
24 Rufus Mitchell Lodge, a member of the Western Consistory
25 Number 28, where he advanced to 32nd Degree, and was an
26 active member of the BET Express; and he was a member of the
27 First Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church, where he served
28 in the Gospel Chorus, the Voices of Corinthian and First
29 Corinthian's male chorus, and the Corinthian Echos; and

30 WHEREAS, The passing of Roosevelt Wright will be deeply

1 felt by all who knew and loved him, especially his wife,
2 Juanita, his daughter, Shalanda (husband, Gregory)
3 Brookshire; his son, Gregory (wife, Kristi) Wright; his
4 grandchildren, Manesha Young, Gregory Brookshire, Dominique
5 Wright, Keyonna Wright, and Breonna Wright; his mother,
6 Cynthia S. Wright; his siblings, Evangelist Evelyn (husband,
7 Pastor James) Gilchrist, Lawrence (wife, Phyllis) Wright,
8 Charles (wife, Annie) Wright, Otis (wife, Carolyn) Wright,
9 Lois Wright, Ruby Wright, Edna Clay, Dr. Catherine Wright,
10 Marion Wright; his brother-in-law, James (wife, Joyce) Hugle;
11 his sister-in-law, Mary (husband, Patrick) Davis; his
12 godchildren, James Dicker, Danzie Dicker, Jr., Aaron
13 Keener-Smith, T'Dara Brown, Kierra Keys, Kate Swain, and
14 Marie Swain; his nieces; his nephews; his special friends;
15 and his many well-wishers; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
18 all who knew him, the death of Roosevelt Wright of North
19 Chicago, Illinois; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the family of Roosevelt Wright with our sincere
22 condolences.