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Fincher Dobyne.

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Whereas, Elizabeth Fincher Dobyne, community leader, president of the Fort Wayne NAACP, and vice president of the state NAACP, died recently at the age of 69;

Whereas, Elizabeth Fincher Dobyne was born the daughter of a farmer in rural Marion, Alabama, where she dreamed of becoming a teacher;

Whereas, At the age of 19 and after finishing one year of college, she moved to Fort Wayne to earn money to continue her education;

Whereas, Mrs. Dobyne, who had been a member of the NAACP for 43 years, had served as the President of the Fort Wayne chapter since 1987;

Whereas, Mrs. Dobyne established the Fort Wayne NAACP's first permanent office where she dealt with complaints about discrimination and injustice;

Whereas, Mrs. Dobyne prided herself on her ability to work with people and stressed the need for increasing dialogue with the other black leaders in Fort Wayne;

Whereas, Under the leadership of Mrs. Dobyne, the NAACP used negotiation to deal with organizations the Fort Wayne leaders felt were not serving the black community;



Whereas, Mrs. Dobyne stated "I like people. I hate to see people hurt...". She lived by these words her entire life; and

Whereas, Elizabeth Fincher Dobyne will be missed by many: by her family, countless friends, the people of Fort Wayne, and Hoosiers everywhere - they loved and respected her, and she enriched their lives: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

- 1 SECTION 1. That, on behalf of the people of Indiana, we extend our
- 2 heartfelt sympathy to her husband Lloyd and her three children.
- 3 SECTION 2. That copies of this resolution be transmitted by the
- 4 secretary of the Senate to the family of Elizabeth Fincher Dobyne.

