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5 By: Senator Brown  
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8 **SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION**

9 IN RESPECTFUL MEMORY OF MR. WILLIE LEE HINTON AND  
10 IN RECOGNITION OF HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE  
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20 WHEREAS, Mr. Willie Lee Hinton of Little Rock, Arkansas, died on  
21 Tuesday, February 13, 2007, at the age of fifty-nine (59); and  
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23 WHEREAS, Mr. Hinton was a former Arkansas School for the Deaf  
24 instructor, teaching vocational and career orientation courses at the school  
25 for more than twenty-eight (28) years; and  
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27 WHEREAS, Mr. Hinton was elected to the Little Rock Board of Directors  
28 in 1994 and served until 2006; was an advocate for his diverse ward, a ward  
29 that stretched south from midtown Little Rock; helped lead the effort to turn  
30 Lee Elementary School into the Neighborhood Resource Center in June 2000; and  
31 in 2005, the City of Little Rock renamed the center the Willie L. Hinton  
32 Neighborhood Resource Center; and  
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34 WHEREAS, Mr. Hinton was a member of the Association of Community  
35 Organizations for Reform Now and the now-defunct New Party, a grass-roots  
36 political organization designed to give low and moderate-income residents a



1 better voice in city government; and

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3 WHEREAS, Mr. Hinton lived a life of service, helping more people than  
4 one could count; and was a man who was generally regarded as amiable, soft-  
5 spoken, quick to laugh, and faster to smile; and

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7 WHEREAS, Mr. Hinton is survived by his wife, Blondell; two (2)  
8 children, Patricia and Kervin; and two (2) grandchildren,

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10 NOW THEREFORE,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
12 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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14 THAT the Senate recognizes Mr. Willie Lee Hinton's commitment, hard  
15 work, dedication, and service to the State of Arkansas and his local  
16 community, and commends him for his leadership.

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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the individual members of the Senate hereby  
19 express sincere condolences to the family of Mr. Hinton, and upon adoption of  
20 this resolution, an appropriate copy shall be provided to the family of Mr.  
21 Hinton by the Secretary of the Senate.