A RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE OF RAYMOND BROWNLEE

WHEREAS, On April 29, 2024, Raymond Brownlee transitioned from this life, rededicating his life unto God on his bed of affliction, in which Christ received him unto himself; and

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago has been notified of Raymond's passing by the Honorable Alderman Emma Mitts of the 37th Ward; and

WHEREAS, Ray Brownlee was born on March 11, 1963, a beautiful baby boy born to John Mobley Sr. and Vera Mae Brownlee-Mobley and grew up to be an adventurous child who loved to build things, especially go-karts; and

WHEREAS, Ray attended Morse and Morton Elementary School and was on the track team at Marshall High School where he graduated in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Ray became a dad at an early age and embraced having four children: Quarnita, Rayshon, Demond, and the late Raymond Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Ray married Robin Lewis on June 22, 2002, and from this union a blended family was formed; and

WHEREAS, Ray also started working at a young age learning carpentry from Mr. Farris Cox, and working for John Klicke, Fisher Pen Company, Eversharp Pen Company, Christy Webber Company, St. Cyprian Parish, and St. Gertrude Parish; and

WHEREAS, Ray was praised for his skills maintaining those parishes, with his hard work and dedication making the floors sparkling with reflections; and

WHEREAS, Ray confessed his faith in Christ and was baptized in April 2002 at New Life Church under the leadership of Bishop Eddie Wright; and

WHEREAS, He would also attend services at Highway to Heaven from time to time under the leadership of his mother, Pastor Vera Mobley; and

WHEREAS, Ray is survived by his loving wife Robin, his children: Quarnita James, Rayshon Jackson (Pompey) Hicks, Demond Jackson, Arrena (David) Woods, Darius Adams, Steven (Adrian) Pierre; goddaughter Marquita King; grandchildren: Tieranna, Summaria, Alijah, Jaylin, Lazerick, India, Lakita, Davina, Audrey, Sage, Journee, Avaya, Jaielle; and great-grandchildren A'niyah; siblings: Lisa Brownlee, Marilyn Brownlee, Audtrie Mobley, Denise Mobley Gurley, Luberta Payne, Johnesse Mobley, Terry (Cathy), William Mobley; special friends Yvonne and Mark Brizzolaras, Marge and GK, and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, in-laws, and friends; and

WHEREAS, Ray was preceded in death by his son, Raymond Jr, great-grandchild Loyalty, and siblings Juan Brownlee, Randy, Ronald, and John Mobley, Jr.; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago gathered here this twenty-second day of May, 2024, do hereby extend our most heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Raymond Brownlee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the family of Raymond Brownlee.

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