

RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE OF ORA MAE WILLIAMS

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago mourns the loss of a beloved community member, Mrs. Ora Mae Williams, who passed away on January 1, 2024; and

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

WHEREAS, Born on July 6, 1931, in Tchula, Mississippi, Ora was the firstborn of 14 children, born to the late Leslie and Mary Alice Glover, was baptized at St. Luke M.B. Church and attended Aggie High School in Coahoma, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Ora was united in Holy Matrimony to Earnest Williams Sr. on December 23, 1953, in Jonestown, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, After Ora moved to Chicago in 1956, she continued to contribute to the community through her work at Polo Meats Company and Wilson Jones Binder Company, and later as a devoted Home Care Provider for her late husband; and

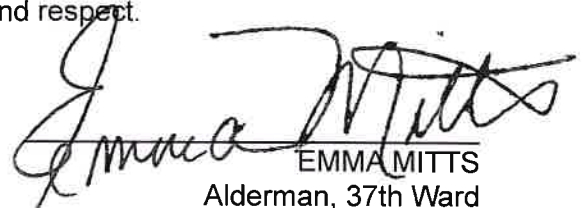
WHEREAS, Ora was a faithful member of Pilgrim Rest M.B. Church since 1958, serving under the leadership of Rev. Matthew Thomas and Dr. Al Lloyd; and

WHEREAS, Ora was preceded in death by her husband Earnest and 11 of her siblings: Willie Lee, Jessie Lee, Leslie Jr, L.G, Ralph, Doretha, Cornelius, Eddie Bee, Betty, Dorothy, and Seleanea; and

WHEREAS, Ora leaves behind cherished memories with her siblings Sadie Jackson and Alberta Williams, children Ruby (Anthony) Watson, Earnest (Darlene) Williams, Terry (Brenda) Williams, 13 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, son-in-law, Johnny Money, Sr, sisters-in-law, Estella Westbrook and Inez Robinson, special friends, Dorothy Lewis, Elvira Bloyd, and Ida Hassell, special cousin Rufus Jackson, cousins, and a host of friends, demonstrating a life well-lived; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago gathered here this sixteenth day of February, 2024, do hereby extend our most heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Ora Mae Williams; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Ora Mae Williams as a token of our honor and respect.


EMMA MITTS
Alderman, 37th Ward