

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Sheila Crawford Sims has been called home by the Almighty to receive her eternal reward after a life well lived; and,

WHEREAS, The Honorable Raymond A. Lopez, Alderman of the 15th Ward, has informed the City Council of the City of Chicago the unfortunate news of her passing on April 19, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Sheila Crawford Sims is preceded in death by her parents Bishop Melvin Crawford and Overseer Beatrice Crawford, sisters Eva, Louis and Rosalind, brothers Stanley, Melvin Jr., Ronald and Raymond, brothers in love Elder Emmanuel Bansa, James Raspberry and Howard Morgan, and children Nagobi Lenard and Moquita Shawny; and,

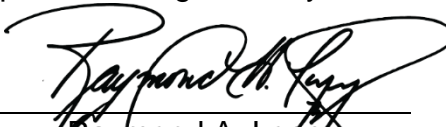
WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Sheila Crawford Sims shall remain in the living memory of her siblings Bishop Connie Bansa, Joan Raspberry and Anne Crawford children Diana, Michael (Marlena), Andre (Kimberly), Yves (Robert), Moet (Cartez), Joselyn (Robert) as well as Wendy (Joe), Kimberly H., Robyn (TeeAaron) and Kimberly M., grandchildren Clifton, LaToshma, Joe Jr, Tee Aaron, Sydney, Daniel Lawson, Christopher, Michael III, Anthony, Antonique, Shayla, Azriel, Faith, Imani, Chloe, Madison, Isabella, Joselyn, D'Andre, Ciara, Trey, Dylan and Kodi, eight great-grandchildren, cousins Evangelist Leah and Sharon, and godchildren Mike, Andy, Angela, Sabrina, Tamika and Barry; and,

WHEREAS, Having been blessed with musical talent alongside her siblings and members of her family, Reverend Dr. Sheila Crawford Sims with Minister Rosalind Morgan, Bishop Bansa, Melvin Crawford and Raymond Gwin formed the musical group "Crawford Singers;" and,

WHEREAS, The impact of Reverend Dr. Sheila Crawford Sims' life and legacy is evident in all that she touched, from efforts in community child care, ministry to the faithful, expanding the reach of her faith across the globe, and working to bring peace to West Englewood through the Jericho Walk; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this twenty-second Day of May, 2024, share our sincere condolences with the family of Reverend Dr. Sheila Crawford Sims following her passing; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Reverend Dr. Sheila Crawford Sims to remind all who read it of the life and legacy of the woman who has impacted their lives with her spirit of faith, generosity and love.



Raymond A. Lopez
Alderman, 15th Ward