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Resolution

Tribute to late Sallie Lee Bates

TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF SALLIE LEE BATES

WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, has called Sallie Lee Bates. an outstanding citizen and member of her community, to her everlasting reward on Sunday, November 20, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Sallie Lee Bates was born to the union of the late Marshall Johnson and Lillie Denise Johnson in Brookhaven, Mississippi, on March 31, 1917. She was one of nine children who blessed the Johnson Family. Her parents, grandchildren Daryl and Darnell Patton, daughter Mary L. Caldwell, son Sam Patton, Jr., granddaughter, Lori A. Patton and all her siblings preceded her in death; and

WHEREAS, Sallie Lee Bates attended New Hope Elementary School and New Hope High School. A devout Christian, Sallie confessed her hope in Christ at the age of eleven and was baptized by Rev. Carter at New Holy Baptist Church in Brookhaven, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Sallie matured into a young woman filled with an abundance of grace, intelligence and patience. She moved to Chicago in 1956 and she soon captured the heart of George Bates and they became husband and wife. She was a dedicated employee with Lake City Laundry for 28 years, Cosmopolitan Laundry for nearly 9 years and a Homemaker at Shay for more than 3 years; and

WHEREAS, Sallie Lee Bates, a cherished friend and good neighbor was always eager to provide sound advice and guidance to all. She will be deeply missed but the memory of her character, intelligence and compassion will live on in those who knew and loved her; and

WHEREAS, Sallie Lee Bates leaves behind to celebrate her life and cherish her memory, grandchildren: Yolanda (Jeffery, Sr.), Stinson, Jr., Veronica, Melinda, Gregory, Lila Marie Johnson, Derrick (Barbara), Anthony (Patricia) Mark (Tawana) and Michael (Keisha); a daughter-in-law, Pearline Patton, a host of great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, family of Brookhaven, Mississippi, Houston, Texas, other relatives, friends and her Progressive Church Family; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Toni L. Foulkes, Alderman of the 15th Ward, has informed this august body of the passing of this outstanding member of the Englewood Community; now therefore

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, assembled here this 14th day of December, 2011 AD, do hereby offer our sincere condolences to the family, friends and loved ones of Sallie Lee Bates and express our hope that the coldness of their grief be soon replaced by their warm memories of her.

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Sallie Lee Bates.

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Alderman - 15th Ward

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