



# City of Chicago

Office of the City Clerk

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<b>Title:</b>	Tribute to late Ruby Dee
<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** Ruby Dee has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 91; and

**WHEREAS,** The Chicago City Council has been informed of her passing by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

**WHEREAS,** Ruby Dee was an acclaimed actress and activist whose highly versatile career spanned stage, radio, television and film; and

**WHEREAS,** Ruby Dee was the loving and devoted wife for 56 years of the late actor Ossie Davis with whom she was a frequent collaborator; and

**WHEREAS,** Born in Cleveland and raised in Harlem, Ruby Dee graduated from Hunter College; and

**WHEREAS,** Ruby Dee began her acting career with the American Negro Theatre where she worked with Sidney Poitier, Harry Belafonte and Hilda Simms; and

**WHEREAS,** Ruby Dee gained prominence in her role in *A Raisin in the Sun* both on Broadway and in film; and

**WHEREAS,** Ruby Dee also appeared in memorable roles in *The Jackie Robinson Story* and *Do the Right Thing* and was nominated for an Oscar in *American Gangster*; and

**WHEREAS,** In addition to her stage and film work, Ruby Dee enjoyed an extensive career in television and appeared in 20 episodes of *Peyton Place*; and

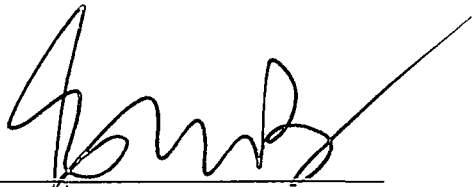
**WHEREAS,** The talent and dedication of Ruby Dee serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** A woman of dignity, grace and charm, Ruby Dee will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To her beloved family, Ruby Dee imparts a legacy of faithfulness, service and dignity; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twenty-fifth day of June, 2014, do hereby commemorate Ruby Dee for her grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to her family; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Ruby Dee.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Anthony', written over a horizontal line.

**Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**