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TRIBUTE TO ANTOINETTE JEFFERSON

WHEREAS, In His Infinite Wisdom, Almighty God has granted eternal peace to Antoinette Jefferson, an outstanding citizen and member of her community; and

WHEREAS, The City Council has been informed of her passing by the Honorable Carrie M. Austin, Alderman of the 34th Ward and Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Government Operations; and

WHEREAS, Antoinette Jefferson was born to the union of Earl and Lillian Jefferson, Jr. on May 17, 1949 on Chicago's West Side. She attended Farragut High School during the same time as Richard Slaughter, and they married. Upon ending the marriage, she returned to the South Side to live and be closer to family; and

WHEREAS, Antoinette enjoyed much of her working life, including positions she held with a Jewish Synagogue and the Chicago Tribune newspaper. Gateway Substance Abuse Center in Springfield, Illinois also stood out as a favorite. It was there she met her second husband, Winston Ward. Antoinette and Winston relocated to Chicago's North Side, but Antoinette would later divorce and again relocate to the South Side; and

WHEREAS, Antoinette was reared a Christian from an early age, she attended Mount Zion First Holy Miracle Baptist Church in her adulthood. Antoinette would testify to others about her faith. She was called home by the Father on July 19, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Antoinette was preceded in death by her parents; siblings Earl Jefferson, III and Alexis Harrison; uncle John Menefee; aunt Evelyn Louise Lewis; nephew and niece-in-law Lamont and Lillian Harrison; and great-nephew Darius Garritt; and

WHEREAS, Antoinette is survived by her children Tandolayo (Clarence) Hill, LaShawn (Flora) Slaughter and Misty Slaughter; siblings LaShawn (Twanda) Jefferson, Sr., Jetun and Alecia Jefferson; grandchildren Dallas Hill, Shatorria Yowe, Aysia Slaughter; and a host of nieces; nephews; cousins; and other beloved friends and family members; and

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered together this twenty-ninth day of July, 2015, do hereby express our sincerest sorrows upon learning of the passing of Antoinette Jefferson, and extend our deepest condolences to her family and all those who had the privilege to know her; and

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Antoinette Jefferson as a token of our sympathy and admiration.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carrie M. Austin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Carrie" being the most prominent.

Carrie M. Austin
Alderman, 34th Ward