



# City of Chicago



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**Meeting Date:** 4/2/2014  
**Sponsor(s):** Lane (18)  
**Type:** Resolution  
**Title:** Tribute to late Ollie Mae Evans Allen  
**Committee(s) Assignment:**

**WHEREAS**, On Thursday, February 13, 2014, the Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom called Ollie Mae Evans Allen to her eternal journey; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicago City Council has been informed of her passing by the Honorable Lona Lane, Alderman of the 18th Ward; and

**WHEREAS**, Ollie Mae Evans Allen was born on January 4, 1937, in Tyronza, Arkansas, she was the first of six children born to the union of Rev. Thomas Evans, Sr. and Ruthie Evans; and

**WHEREAS**, She confessed a hope in Jesus Christ at an early age at St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church in Clearlake, Arkansas. She graduated from Harrison High School in 1956, Blytheville, Arkansas. She was a member of the Honor Society, The Harrison High Choral Club and won the Betty Crocker Award (Homemaking) in her senior year. Ollie's passion was Sunday school and she also served as a Secretary at West End Missionary Baptist Church for many years. She sang in the Junior Choir at West End Baptist Church under the direction of Charles Payne; and

**WHEREAS**, Ollie was married to Minor Jones Allen in 1957 and to that union three children were born. She was a member of Greater Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Ollie James and also attended Sunday School faithfully at Sion Temple Church of God in Christ under the leadership of Dr. Elder Demus Allen; and

**WHEREAS**, She retired from Montgomery Ward after 35 years of service as Customer Service Supervisor. She served as the Board Secretary for the Wrightwood Association and served as secretary for several Senior Citizen organizations: The Ford City Mall Walkers, and was corresponding secretary of the Chicago Chapter of the Harrisonites Club Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, She was preceded in death by her parents, Rev. Thomas Evans, Sr. and Ruthie Evans; one brother, Mark Stanley Evans; and leaves behind to cherish her precious memories to her husband, Minor Jones Allen; two sons, Minor Jr. and Mark Stanley Allen; one daughter, Michele Allen Marsh (Shawn); two grandchildren, Dania Allen and Markus Allen; three sisters, Ruthie Watkins, Patricia Barnett and Barbara Evans; one brother, Thomas Evans, Jr.; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins, and many friends; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here in assembly this second day of April 2014 A.D., do hereby express our sorrow on the passing of Ollie Mae Evans Allen and extend to her family and friends our deepest sympathy; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Ollie Mae Evans Allen.



Lona Lane  
Alderman, 18<sup>th</sup> Ward