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## TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF OLLYE WORTHINGTON

WHEREAS, On Monday, December 19, 2011, Almighty God, in His Infinite Wisdom, has granted His devout servant, Ollye Worthington everlasting peace and eternal rest, at the age of eighty-five; and

WHEREAS, Ollye Worthington, affectionately known as “Bootsie”, born February 14, 1926 in Jackson, Mississippi, was the only child born to Thomas and Ernestine Anderson. She graduated from Lanier High School; attended Talladega College and later transferred to Huston-Tillotson College where she graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Special Education and a Bachelor Degree in Music. She received her Masters from Roosevelt University; and

WHEREAS, Ollye was an avid pianist, but also enjoyed playing the violin and the saxophone. Her mother Ernestine, would host piano recitals and invite all her grateful neighbors and friends to come and enjoy the recital; and

WHEREAS, Ollye moved to Chicago and worked as an Elementary School Teacher. She was a woman of strong character and lived her life as a loving and giving individual. She matured into a young woman with an abundance of grace, charm, patience and wisdom and she soon captured the heart of the man who was to become her husband, Mr. James Worthington, Sr. After a two year courtship, they were united in marriage on January 2, 1955 and were blessed with two sons; and

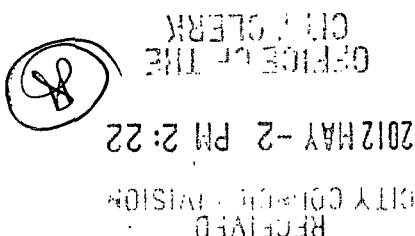
WHEREAS, Ollye was baptized a Methodist and later changed her religion and became a Catholic. She was the Musician for St. Francis De Paula Church for the Saturday evening Mass Service. When St. Francis closed, Ollye became a member of St. Dorothy’s Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, Her parents, and loving husband James Worthington, Sr. having predeceased her, Ollye Worthington leaves to celebrate her life and cherish her memory, her two sons, James (Dawn) and Earl; her grandchildren, Alexis, James IV, Bryana, Imani, Domoniwue, Laurene and Dakota; sister-in-law, Laura Jolly; nieces and nephews, Delia, Authur, Jr. and Lydia and a host of other relatives and many friends; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Anthony Beale of the 9<sup>th</sup> Ward, has informed this august body of the passing of this respected and beloved woman; now therefore

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled here this ninth day of May 2012, A.D., hereby express our sincere sorrow upon learning of the passing of Ollye Worthington, and extend our deepest sympathy to her family members and friends.

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



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Anthony Beale  
Alderman – 9<sup>th</sup> Ward