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RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MAN
BISHOP CLAUDE ODELL TIMMONS

WHEREAS, Claude Odell Timmons was born on February 4, 1936, in Chicago, Illinois to the parents of the late Coleman and Marguerite Timmons; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Timmons was educated in Chicago, Illinois. He attended Forrestville Grammar School for two years, Coleman Grammar School for six years, Dunbar Trade High School for three years, and Kennedy King College for two years; and

WHEREAS, he served in the Armed Forces for two years from July 15, 1958 – July 15, 1960. When his duty was completed, he left the army holding the rank of Corporal; and

WHEREAS, in the early years of his youth, Claude Timmons accepted Jesus Christ into his life as his personal savior. He learned very early in life the lessons of faithfulness and commitment; and

WHEREAS, he served diligently in various churches: Greater Harvest Baptist Church for six years under Rev. Louis Boddie, Robert's Temple COGIC for nine years under Bishop W. M. Roberts and Elder E. J. Duncan, Faith Temple COGIC for one year under Bishop Goldsberry, and finally Monument of Faith Evangelistic Church for twenty-one and a half years where he served as a deacon and psalmist under the leadership of Apostle Richard D. Henton; and


WHEREAS, he founded and established the Love Cathedral Community Church, and on April 7, 1985, the doors of the church were opened. Deacon Timmons became Pastor Claude Odell Timmons; and

WHEREAS, in 1990, he was led to join the organization of Pilgrim Assemblies International, Incorporated (PAI), in New York City, under the leadership of Bishop Roy E. Brown. In April 1991, he became District Elder over the Illinois Jurisdiction. Three years later, God again elevated him to the Office of Bishop in April 1994, over the state of Illinois known as the Rehoboth Jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Timmons is married to Evangelist Jacqueline Fowler, formerly of New York City, who faithfully served her pastor Bishop Brown for 25 years. They reside in Chicago, Illinois. They have a daughter, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren in addition to a host of nieces and nephews;

BE IT RESOLVED, that Alderman Cochran, the Mayor, and members of City Council assembled on October 11, 2017 A.D. do hereby honor the life accomplishments of Bishop Claude Odell Timmons and First Lady Timmons, and express well wishes to the family and to all those who join in the celebration of his life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Bishop Timmons and his family.


WILLIE B. COCHRAN
Alderman, 20th Ward

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