

## City of Chicago



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**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## **MEMORIAL RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that members of this chamber learned of the departure of Mashell Rena Appleton, beloved citizen, on July 15, 2018; and

WHEREAS, This august body has been informed of her passing by the Honorable Emma Mitts, Alderman of the 37<sup>th</sup> Ward; and

WHEREAS, Born on June 6, 1959, in St. Louis, Missouri, Mashell was the adored daughter of the late Edmond and Carrie Brown. Shortly after she was born, her parents moved to Chicago where Mashell began to call Chicago home; and

WHEREAS, Mashell, commonly known as "Ma," "Auntie" or "Shell," dedicated her life to Jehovah's service. She was baptized on January 11, 2014, and remained faithful to Jehovah until her passing. She uplifted others with her devoted faith and leadership; and

WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by her parents and three siblings, Earsker Burgess, Minnie Foster and Alonzo Burgess. She leaves to cherish her memory her three children, Tineasha Ellis (Dwayne), Shameka Appleton and Willis Appleton III; special niece, Ebony Brown; four brothers, James Burgess (Sheila), Napoleon Burgess, Edward Brown (Lucia) and Calvin Brown; three sisters, Alzonia Epps (J.C.), Roberta Bell and Celestine Collins; three grandchildren, Taquisha Ellis, Ja'lon Franklin and Tai'lon Appleton; and a host of extended family and treasured friends; and

WHEREAS, Mashell Rena Appleton touched the lives of her friends and family with her love and nurturing support. She will be deeply missed, but the memory of her vivacious spirit, compassionate heart and inspiring faith will live on in those who knew and loved her; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this twenty-fifth day of July, 2018, do hereby extend our heartfelt condolences to the family of Mashell Rena Appleton.

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution will be presented to the family of Mashell Rena Appleton as a sign of our sympathy and respect.

EMMA MITTS Alderman, 37<sup>th</sup> Ward