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Tribute to late Allie Mae Haymer.

Committee(s) Assignment:

WHEREAS, On Monday, December 17, 2012, the Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom called to her eternal journey Allie Mae Haymer; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this by 18th Ward Alderman Lona Lane; and

WHEREAS, Allie Mae (Lane) Haymer was born on October 2, 1932 in Sand Slough of Forrest City, Arkansas to the union of James Lane and Luella Lane Green; and

WHEREAS, Allie lived a fruitful childhood and loved being around family and friends. She confessed hope in Christ at an early age at Sand Slough Missionary Baptist Church and later joined Rising Sun Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. R. H. Hunt. She remained a loyal member until her death. On August 12, 1952 at the early age of 20, she married the love of her life, Virge Lee Haymer, from this union six children were born; and

WHEREAS, Allie Haymer was able to display her cooking skills with her very first job working as a cook at the Fifth Wheel Restaurant. She later began working at General Industries in which she was one of the first 17 African Americans hired. She faithfully worked there for over eighteen years until retirement. After retirement from General Industries, Allie and her husband opened a soul food restaurant called "Mom's Kitchen" and worked there until their health began to fail; and

WHEREAS, Allie spent countless hours volunteering in the church and studying the word of God. She loved to sing. In her youth and as a young adult, she was known for being the soloist at the church. Her voice was impeccable. She faithfully attended Sunday school, Baptist Training Union and was a member of the missionary society. Her favorite hobbies included gardening, canning, cooking and quilting but her passion was truly helping others. She fueled that passion through her culinary skills which were appreciated by many in the neighborhood. For many years, she served seniors throughout the community by preparing food for them, taking them to appointments and bringing them to church. She had a special group of neighborhood children whom she cared for until her death.

WHEREAS, Allie Mae was preceded in death by her parents, James Lane, Luella Lane Green; stepfather, John Green; son, Virester Haymer; four siblings, Edward Pernard Lane, J.P. Lane, Leardis Lane and James A. Lane; and she leaves to cherish her memory, three daughters, Paulette Haymer, Sheila Haymer, Tammie Haymer; two sons, Dr. Xavier Haymer, Tracy Haymer; two grand-daughters, Jade and Jada Haymer; one great-grandson Tre'Shun Norman; two sisters, Alma Green, LeDora Lacy; three brothers, O.C. Lane, Frank Lane, J.W. (Lona) Lane; four sisters-in-law, Mae Bell Bryant, Willie Mae Holland (Nathaniel), Argenta Kirkland, AR Dimple Brown; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins, other relatives, and 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 seventeenth day of January, 2013 A.D., do hereby express our sorrow on the passing of Allie Mae (Lane) Haymer 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 Allie Mae Haymer's family.

Lona Lane

18th Ward Alderman