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Congratulations extended to Henrietta Williams

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RESOLUTION HONORING MRS. HENRIETTA WILLIAMS ON HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that the City Council of the City of Chicago is hereby informed of the observance of Mrs. Henrietta William's One Hundredth Birthday, January 22, 1012; and

WHERAS, Henrietta Williams, an enthusiastic, active and much-loved resident of Chicago, will celebrate her 100th Birthday, thereby reaching a milestone few are fortunate to achieve; and

WHEREAS, Born in Montgomery County Mississippi, Henrietta was the loving daughter of Lizzie and Levi Bennett. She accepted Christ as her personal savior at a young age and was a member of the Mt. Hillary Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Henrietta matured into a young woman filled with an abundance of grace, charm, patience and wisdom and soon captured the heart of the man who was to become her loving husband, Leonard Williams. They were united in holy matrimony January 3 1930 and relocated to Grenada, Mississippi. In 1948 Henrietta and Leonard moved to Chicago and settled in their grateful Morgan Park community and made it their home. She became a faithful member of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church under the pastorate of Rev. Arlander C. Mitchell. Mrs. Williams was a member of the First Aide Board and continues to serve faithfully in this ministry. In 1976 she became a member and president of the Three Score Club, a senior group. Henrietta has traveled to various destinations and has received numerous awards from her church and grateful community; and

WHEREAS, Henrietta was a loving foster parent to three children, Joyce Clay, Michael Pouncy and Marcus Leftridge. Henrietta, a devoted daughter, relocated her mother from Mississippi to Chicago so she could care for her until her transition at the age of 103 years; and

WHEREAS, Cognizant of the history to which Henrietta Williams has both witnessed and contributed, this devoted and cherish friend of many and good neighbor to all is richly deserving of the adulation and good wishes she is offered as she celebrates her One Hundredth Birthday; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Henrietta Williams is a remarkable person and an inspiration to all who have reached their centenarian years and a treasured matriarch to her grateful and loving family and friends; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this eighteenth day of January, 2012, A.D., do hereby extend to Mrs. Henrietta Williams our best and most fervent wishes for a grand celebration worthy of her one hundredth birthday.

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Mrs. Henrietta Williams.

CARRIE M. AUSTIN Alderman – 34th Ward