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## RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING LULA MAE WASHINGTON ON HER 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

**WHEREAS**, It is with immense pleasure that the Chicago City Council is hereby informed of the observance of Lula Mae Washington's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday; and

**WHEREAS**, Lula Mae Washington, an enthusiastic and much loved 34<sup>th</sup> Ward resident of Chicago, celebrated her auspicious milestone with family, friends and community on Sunday, August 13, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, Lula Mae Washington was born on August 14, 1927, in Hazlehurst, Mississippi. She worked on a farm gleaning cotton; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1954, Lula Mae and her three children moved to 43<sup>rd</sup> Street in Chicago, and then to 47<sup>th</sup> Street and St. Lawrence Avenue. In 1971, she settled in the Roseland community on 107<sup>th</sup> and Wentworth Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, In the 1980s, Lula Mae and her family opened a candy store so the neighborhood children could have a place to go after school. This store became a local meeting place and landmark for over 30 years. "Miss Washington", as she was known, touched the lives of many during her years at the store; and

**WHEREAS**, Lula Mae, an upstanding citizen, did an interview with "Time" magazine in regard to the untimely death and character of eleven year old, who lived across the street from her; and

**WHEREAS**, In an effort to combat the violence affecting the youth in the Roseland community, Lula Mae hosted a STOP THE VIOLENCE video shoot to a song called "Moment of Silence". Her love for God, Family and the Community has been a beacon of light and hope to all; and

**WHEREAS**, Lula Mae has 5 children, 21 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and 13 great-great grandchildren. She is a loving mother, cherish friend and good neighbor to all and has enriched the lives of the young and old; and

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Carrie M. Austin, Alderman of the 34<sup>th</sup> Ward has apprised this august body of the milestone observance of Lula Mae Washington's golden years; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, gathered together this 6th day of September, 2017, do hereby congratulate Lula Mae Washington on her 90th birthday and extend our very best wishes for continued good health and happiness in years to come.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Lula Mae Washington as a token of our esteem and good wishes.



Carrie M. Austin  
Alderman, 34<sup>th</sup> Ward

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