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Resolution

Tribute to late Samuel Warren Richardson

Memorial Resolution

WHEREAS, In His infinite wisdom, Almighty God has granted eternal peace to Samuel Warren Richardson on February 26, 2014; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Deborah Graham, Alderman of the 29th Ward, has informed this esteemed body of the transition of Samuel Richardson; and ۰.

WHEREAS, Born on July 29, 1923, in Birmingham, Alabama, to parents Frank and Emma Richardson, Samuel was baptized as a Baptist at an early age, and as an adult became a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Chicago. In his final years with us, Samuel was a member of United Lutheran Church in Oak Park; and

WHEREAS, Samuel served in the U.S. Navy during World War II from June 1946 until his honorable discharge in June 1956. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Agricultural Economy from Tuskegee University in Alabama, and worked as a postal clerk before retiring at age 72 as a clerk with the Chicago Department of Streets and Sanitation; and

WHEREAS, Samuel was active in his community, serving in leadership positions in organizations such as the Grand Masonic Lodge and the Lutheran Church. Samuel acted as a precinct captain in the Austin community, and he became the first director for the Lutheran Family Mission, which provides essentials for those in need; and

WHEREAS, Samuel leaves to mourn his loving wife of 67 years, Willie M. (nee Hughes) Richardson; his children Gwendolyn White (John), Jacquelyn Glenn (Joseph), Samuel Richardson, Jr., Felicia Richardson-McGee (Rickey), and Kimberly Richardson; eight grandchildren: Chantel Boyd (Michael), Yvette and Renee Richardson, William Walker, Jr. (Samantha), Noelle and Nicole McGee, Nathanial and Nia Richardson; eight greatgrandchildren: Phillip, Zjacobi, Howard, Christian, DeAngelo, DeAndre, and William III; a nephew: Harold Tate (Carolyn) and many cousins, friends, and members of his church family. Samuel was preceded in death by his son Reginald, and a grandchild: Quaashi; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago gathered here this fifth day of November, 2014, do hereby express our sorrow on the passing of Samuel Warren Richardson and extend to his family and friends our sincere condolences; and,

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Samuel Warren Richardson. CALA CREEK

Deborah GRAHAM

Alderman, 29th Ward

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