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Tribute to late Maggie Kelly

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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR MAGGIE KELLY

WHEREAS, The Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council are saddened to learn of the death of Maggie Kelly, who passed away on November 20, 2019; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of Maggie's passing by the Honorable Thomas Tunney, Alderman of the 44th Ward; and

WHEREAS, Maggie was born in Uniontown, Alabama to Joe Bennett and Shavannah Sander Bennett on February 12, 1922; and

WHEREAS, The eighth of 12 children, Maggie committed to her faith at an early age and was baptized at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church in Uniontown, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Maggie later moved to Chicago and married SJ Kelly in 1943; and

WHEREAS, Maggie was a founding member of Mt. Hope Missionary Baptist Church in 1945, a member of Sunrise Baptist Church in Chicago, and served as a missionary, mentor, and Sunday school teacher; and

WHEREAS, Maggie worked for the beloved Chicago institution Ann Sather Restaurant from 1959 until her retirement in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Maggie was preceded in death by her husband, SJ Kelly; her parents; her siblings; and her pastors, Reverend W.M. Lambert, Reverend D.H. Moore, and Reverend J. Rawls; and

WHEREAS, Maggie is survived by her godson, Pastor J.E. Storey; her spiritual daughter, Lady Di Storey; her nieces, Robyn Bennett, Mohini Cox, Latisha Bennett-Williams, and Mary Bennett-Larocque; her nephew, James Bennett; her pastor emeritus, Reverend G. Hills; and her pastor, Reverend A. Martin; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this Twenty Second Day of April , 2020, do hereby extend our most heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Maggie Kelly; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Maggie Kelly as a sign of our honor and respect.

Alderman, 44th/Ward