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**CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF AN EXTRAORDINARY WOMAN**  
**"MS. RUBY JEAN BYRD"**

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Ruby Jean Byrd, former President of 92<sup>nd</sup> & Emerald Block Club and longtime resident of the 21<sup>st</sup> Ward was called home by the Great I AM. Ms. Byrd promptly responded to her Savior's call, "Come for I have prepared a place specifically for thee, a mansion designed with precious rubies, diamonds and pearls. Every precious jewel represents your years of generosity and dedication to making a difference in the lives of others." Without hesitation, Ms. Ruby Jean Byrd stretched forth her hand and connected with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; and


**WHEREAS**, the scriptures states, "my sheep know my voice and follow me," Ms. Ruby Jean Byrd life was the example of a woman that had a relationship with the Father. Ms. Byrd accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior at an early age. The Lord groomed her and carved out her assignments, and she fulfilled each one according to the Word of God. How would I describe Ms. Ruby Jean Byrd? She carried her cross and followed Jesus; and

**WHEREAS**, her character was the exact resemblance of a luminous diamond; flawless to the examiner and simply priceless to the eyes of the beholder. Ms. Ruby Jean Byrd loved people with a sincere heart. She expressed it as designed by God; unrestricted, never vindictive, always encouraging but yet firm when necessary. For that reason, let us stand and salute to the life of Ms. Ruby Jean Byrd; and

**WHEREAS**, she leaves to cherish her memories a devoted daughter Yolanda (Harold) Taylor; sister, Essie Williams; loving grandsons Bryan Smith, Lance (Jackie) Taylor, Kendall Taylor; great grandchildren, Alina and Jayla Taylor; godson, Edward Davis; goddaughters, Pamela Menzies and Joan Wingo; "Her Boys", Donald Richardson, Raymond Jones, Nathaniel Tucker, Deacon Dwight Robinson, and Reverend Dr. Nathan L. Schaffer Jr.; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, will gather together on the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of December, 2011, A.D., to express their sorrow on the passing of Ms. Ruby Byrd and extend to her family and friends their sincere condolences; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Ms. Ruby Jean Byrd.

  
**HOWARD B. BROOKINS, JR.**  
Alderman - 21st Ward