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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MAN OF GOD
"REVEREND STERLING EDWARDS"

WHEREAS, Reverend Sterling Edwards, well-known for his years of commitment to meeting the needs of the underserved and preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ was called home by the Great I AM on Thursday, May 31, 2012 . Reverend Edwards answered his Savior's call, "Come for I have prepared a place specifically for thee, a mansion designed to shelve thousands of photographs of the very lives you have touched. In the west wing of the mansion, I placed a chair engraved in platinum lettering which says: "My Servant I AM Well Pleased." As the tears fell from the eyes of Reverend Sterling Edwards, he immediately stretched his hand upward to connect with his Heavenly Father. "God's Chosen is on his way Home; and

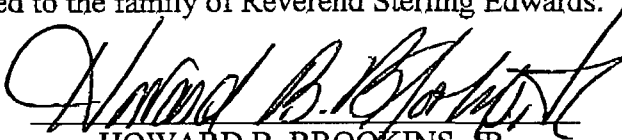
WHEREAS, the scriptures states, my sheep know my voice and a stranger they will not follow, Reverend Sterling Edwards lifestyle was the prime example of a man that had a relationship with the Father. The Lord groomed and anointed him to reach the masses. How would I personally describe Reverend Sterling Edwards? He was a man of integrity; an impeccable dresser; prominent leader; knowledgeable beyond his years; and his heart filled with compassion towards all mankind. Reverend Sterling Edwards was also a mentor and friend; and

WHEREAS, the word of God states, "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord, I must say, "Reverend Sterling Edwards fits the description perfectly; both his spiritual and natural dwellings were built by the Lord. Such a legacy for many to follow;" and

WHEREAS, Reverend Sterling Edwards is survived by his four loving children, Donna (George) Rice, Dwight (Monica) Edwards, LaJeune (Andre) Allen and Dorthea Johnson; one sister Bernice (General) Williams; and those that preceded him in death, beautiful wife, Sophronia, his parents, siblings Erma Dietrich, Thom Van Edwards, Ebee Edwards, James Arthur Edwards and Versie Mae Edwards, and his son Sterling Edwards Jr., met him at Heaven's Gate.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, will gather together on the 27th Day of June 2012, A.D., to express their deepest sorrow on the passing of , and extend to his family, friends and the members of the Healing Temple Missionary Baptist Church their sincere condolences; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Reverend Sterling Edwards.


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Alderman - 21st Ward