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Tribute to late Leatha W. Franklin

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## TRIBUTE TO LEATHA W. FRANKLIN

WHEREAS, On April 22, 2012, Almighty God, in His Infinite Wisdom, has granted eternal peace to Leatha W. Franklin, an outstanding citizen and member of her community; and

WHEREAS, Leatha Franklin was born on July 19, 1932 in Tutwiler, Mississippi to Thearthur Hike and Beulah Stanton and attended a Mississippi Public School. In 1951, she married Johnnie Lee Franklin in Clarksdale Mississippi and moved to Chicago. Their marriage lasted 35 years until Johnnie Lee Franklin passed away in March, 1986; and

WHEREAS, Leatha was a kind and giving person with a remarkable sense of humor. She dedicated her life to God at an early age and was one of the founding members of Christian Missionary Baptist Church I in 1961, serving her church in numerous ways as a matron, secretary, Sunday school teacher, member of the gospel chorus and in the Missionary Department, as well as a member of the Mothers' Board; and

WHEREAS, Leatha W. Franklin is leaving her family with wonderful memories that will last a life time including her daughter Flossie L. Garret; three grandchildren, Michael Anthony Garret, Michelle Anise Miller, and Leslie Alexander; four great grandchildren Emynee, Meghan, Lil Mike, Amaya, and Faith; five sisters Loretta W. Jones, Carolyn Garret, Sandra Harper, Marion Taylor, Barbara Washington; three brothers Maurice Campbell, Theo Hike, and John Hike as well as a host of other family members and friends; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Anthony Beale, Alderman of the 9<sup>th</sup> Ward, has informed this august body of the passing of Leatha W. Franklin; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, gathered this 9<sup>th</sup> Day of May, 2012 AD, do hereby express our sincerest sorrow upon learning of the passing of this remarkable citizen and extend our deepest condolence to her family and all those whose lives she touched.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Leatha W. Franklin.

ANTHONY BEALE Alderman- 9<sup>th</sup> Ward