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## **MEMORIAL RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, In His infinite wisdom, God has granted eternal rest to Helen Louise Trice, Saturday, August 17, 2013, at the age of eighty-three; and

WHEREAS, Helen Louise Trice was born February 11, 1930 in Chicago to her loving parents, Louise Walker and Arthur Trice. She and her nine siblings brought much laughter into the Trice Family home. Helen was a graduate of DuSable High School; and

WHEREAS, Helen met and married Jerome Carrington, Sr. They were blessed with the birth of their two loving sons, Jerome and Phillip. Helen was united in marriage, years later, to her second husband, Elbert McCain Jr. and three loving children, Elbert III, Vanessa and Ricardo were born to share in the family's happiness; and

WHEREAS, Helen was employed at Spiegel's Catalog and later she worked at Western Electric. She was a vital and dedicated employee of Western Electric for thirty years. Her suggestion to the CEO of Western Electric saved the company over \$133,000.00 the first year. Helen was given \$10,000.00 for her idea; and

WHEREAS, During her time at Western Electric, Helen befriended Marlene Brundrige and Ruby Wash, who remained friends until her transition; and

WHEREAS, Helen's legacy is her family. She enjoyed spending time with her children. Helen would be jumping rope, playing softball, bouncing a basketball or playing hopscotch with her children and their friends. Helen was also a loving and dotting grandmother who always enjoyed every moment she spent with her grandchildren. Whether it was going to the movies with them, the Ice Capades shows, the beach, picnics, parks or any of their sporting events, Helen and her grandchildren always had fun and shared much laughter. Helen was especially close to her grandsons, Damone and Donnell Jr., and her granddaughter, Latrice. Anthony, Helen's other grandson, lived with her until her death. Helen was also blessed to be able to see and spend time with her great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Once Helen's grandchildren were in school for a full day she began working part-time at the University of Chicago. She retired from the University after several years to take care of her husband, Elbert; and

WHEREAS, Helen Louise was a loving wife, devoted and nurturing mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, aunt, friend and neighbor who enriched their lives. She provided her family with an abundance of love and kindness; and

WHEREAS, Her husband, Elbert, parents, brothers, Howard, Nelson and Phillip, sisters, Teresa and Shirley; her oldest child, Jerome and her first husband, Jerome, having preceded her in death, Helen leaves to cherish loving memories of her love, devotion and strength, to her three sons, Phillip Carrington, Elbert McCain and Ricardo (Brenda) McCain; her daughter, Vanessa (John) Mason; ten grandchildren, Chantelle, Crystal, Damone, Tremaine, Tavares, Donnell Jr., Latrice, Anthony, Christopher and Phillip Jr.; fifteen great grandchildren, three sisters, Marion Sherron, Phyllis (David) Wilson and Terry Gandy; her brother, Arthur Trice, Jr., and a host of other relatives and many friends; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this eleventh day of September 2013 A.D., do hereby express our sorrow on the passing of Helen Louise Trice McCain and extend to her family and friends our sincere condolences.

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Helen Louise Trice McCain.

  
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