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Tribute to late Doristeen Walker.

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## Memorial Resolution for Doristeen Walker

WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that the members of this chamber learned of the departure of Doristeen Walker on July 18, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, This esteemed body has been notified of her passing by the Honorable Emma Mitts, Alderman of the 37<sup>th</sup> Ward; and

WHEREAS, Doristeen was born on November 11, 1946, to the late Georgiana Virden and Lawrence "Shorty" Abrams, in Jackson, Mississippi. She was one of five children; and

WHEREAS, She attended Westside Elementary School and Westside High School in Mississippi. Doristeen moved to Chicago and graduated from Farragut High School. Doristeen attended Bryman Medical School and received her degree in Nursing from Malcolm X College; and

WHEREAS, In 1963, Doristeen had a daughter, Terry Lynn Calhoun. She married Fred Walker in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Doristeen confessed her love of Christ at an early age. She was a faithful member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church. She was a member of the Loving Heart Committee; and

WHEREAS, Doristeen worked at Cook County Hospital for thirty-two years; and

WHEREAS, Doristeen Walker leaves to cherish her memory her daughter, Terry (Mario) Calhoun; sisters, Earnestine Wallace and Shirley Hunter; brother, Fred Birden; and a host of nieces, nephews, uncles, cousins and friends; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Walker was preceded in death by her parents, Georgiana and Lawrence "Shorty" Abrams; husband, Fred L. Walker; step-father George Virden Sr.; sister, Joanna Virden; grandsons, Cameron (Crystal) Porter, Jevon (Leasha) Porter, Terrence (Nicole) Garner; seventeen great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends; and

WHEREAS, Doristeen Walker touched the lives of all who knew her as somebody who cared deeply for family and friends. She will be greatly missed, but the memory of her character will live on in those who knew and loved her; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this sixth day of September, 2017, do hereby express our sorrow on the passing of Doristeen Walker and extend to her family our sincere condolences.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Doristeen Walker as a sign of our sympathy.

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Alderman, 37th Ward

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