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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF AN ANOINTED WOMAN OF GOD
"MRS. ARETTA RAGLAND"

WHEREAS, on Monday, April 25, 2011, Mrs. Aretta Ragland answered her Redeemer's call, "Come for I have prepared a place specifically for thee, better than this world could ever offer you, an eternal resting place for your soul called Heaven." Mrs. Aretta Ragland instantaneously stretched forth her right hand and connected with her Lord and Savior. The Angels in Heaven shouted, "Hallelujah."

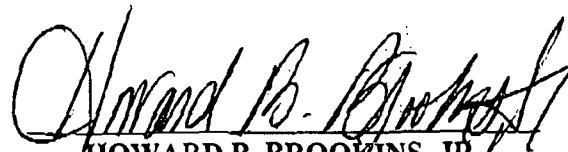
WHEREAS, Mrs. Aretta Ragland unselfishly gave of herself so that others would benefit from the generosity of her heart. Her friendly smile, words of wisdom, tears shed and prayers spoken into the spirit realm on behalf of the people of God will never be forgotten.

WHEREAS, at this moment, I speak with great confidence, when I say, "Mrs. Aretta Ragland was the quintessence of a Saved, Sanctified and Spirh Filled Woman of God." Her temperament exemplified Ruth, she spoke with authority like Esther and she listened intently to the voice of God like Mary. Truly she was more than just a "Hearer of the Word, she was also a Doer of the Word. Consecration was Mrs. Aretta Ragland's middle name; and

WHEREAS, we have cried many nights for just another opportunity to spend some time with Mrs. Aretta Ragland; the Word of God assures us, that one day soon, we shall stand with Mrs. Ragland side-by-side on a road paved with gold, diamonds, exquisite marble and pearls; a place exclusively designed only for the righteous children of God; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, will gather together on the 8th Day of June, 2011, A.D., to express their sorrow on the passing of Mrs. Aretta Ragland and extend to her son, one of the greatest spiritual leaders in the 21st Ward, Senior Pastor, Reverend Dr. Alan V. Ragland, his congregational members, and a host of other family members 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 Mrs. Aretta Ragland.



HOWARD B. BROOKINS, JR.
Alderman – 21st Ward