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Tribute to late Donald L. Williams, Sr.

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Donald L. Williams, Sr. has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 92; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of his passing by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

WHEREAS, Donald L. Williams, Sr. was the loving husband of Dora and the late Mercedes and Ora; and

WHEREAS, Donald L. Williams, Sr. was the much-adored father of Karen, Donald, Jr., Sheryl, Sharlene, Denise, and Rhonda, stepfather of Alfonso and Donald, the proud grandfather of 24, and the loving great-grandfather of 35 to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Donald L. Williams, Sr. enjoyed a long and highly successful career as a pharmacist, State Farm Agent, and Mayor of Maywood, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Donald L. Williams, Sr. owned and operated Don's Pharmacy, the first African-American-owned pharmacy in Maywood; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as Mayor, Donald L. Williams, Sr. encouraged residents to start their own businesses to become entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, Donald L. Williams, Sr. was President of the Proviso Chapter of the NAACP, President of the Maywood Chamber of Commerce, President of the Maywood Rotary Club and President of the Proviso Leyden Council for Community Action nonprofit group; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Donald L. Williams, Sr. serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Donald L. Williams, Sr. to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

WHEREAS, Donald L. Williams, Sr. was an individual of great integrity and accomplishment who will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Donald L. Williams, Sr. imparts a legacy of faithfulness, service and dignity; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twenty-fifth day of July, 2018, do hereby commemorate Donald L. Williams, Sr. for his grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to his family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Donald L. Williams, Sr.

Alderman – 14th Ward