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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, God in His Infinite Wisdom has called Milton Carroll Marshall, most beloved citizen to his eternal reward, June 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, This august body has been informed of his passing by the Honorable Carrie M. Austin, Alderman of the 34th Ward; and

WHEREAS, Born on January 10, 1943 in Kinston, North Carolina, Milton was the oldest of sixteen children born to Raymond and Eunice Marshall; and

WHEREAS, In 1961, Milton graduated from Adkin High School, and the following year enlisted in the United States Air Force. After four years of service, he was honorably discharged from the military as a Staff Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, in 1966 Milton met Gwendolyn Banks in Nashville, Tennessee, then relocated to Chicago Illinois. After 6 months of courtship, they married on June 25, 1966 and was blessed with the birth of their son, Milton, Jr. on January 4, 1968; Milton and Gwendolyn have been married 47 years and together enjoyed fashion, traveling and fine dining; and

WHEREAS, Milton was raised a Seventh Day Adventist in Kinston, North Carolina. In 1981, he became a member of Trinity United Church of Christ of Chicago. He loved God and supported his church; and

WHEREAS, In 1972, Milton began his occupation as a Police Officer with the Chicago Police Department. He was recognized for his impeccable work ethic and ultimately promoted to Sergeant. During his 30 year career, he climbed the ranks to other leadership roles within the department. He was an advocate for fairness in the workplace. He was a mentor and father figure to a number of young Police Officers who continued to seek his advice and counsel after his retirement; and

WHEREAS, While in retirement, Milton developed a passion for bowling, and would bowl four to five nights a week. He was just as committed to bowling as he was to employment. The highlight of his bowling career was winning first place in "The Pins Over Average Tournament". He passed on his passion to his son and grandsons who are avid bowlers; and


WHEREAS, Milton is best described as a gentle giant and affectionately known to his family and friends as "Big Eazy". Everyone who knew him, personally or professionally, loved and respected him as a good man. He loved and valued, protected and provided for his family; and

WHEREAS, Milton leaves to cherish the memory of his life in addition to his mother, Eunice, age of 92; devoted wife, Gwendolyn; and son, Milton, Jr.; two grandchildren, Duane Amour and Milton Marshall, III; a special daughter Edna Owens-Grant; two godchildren, Faraji and Akilah Williams; fourteen siblings, Freddie Maurice Marshall (Deborah), Eleanor Davis (Robert), Herlis Marshall, Trecia Marshall, Beverly Ann Culler (Larry), Faye Marshall, Charlotte, Gina Jones (Clifton), Raymond Marshall Jr., Lenoir, Mabel Houston (Dwight), Anthony Marshall, Sylvia Marshall, Sheila Marshall, Carol Guess (Edgar), Amos Tucker; Sister-in-law Dr. Geneva Washington; best friends, Hardy Williams and Lee Smith, and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends; his father Raymond and brother, Patrick preceded him in death; and

WHEREAS, Milton touched the lives of all who knew him through his generosity, unconditional love and his spirit. He will be deeply missed but the remembrance of his character, skill, and compassion will live on in those who knew and loved him; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this twenty fifth of June, 2014 A.D., do hereby commemorate Milton Carroll Marshall known to all as "Big Eazy" for his many lifetime contributions and do hereby extend to his family and many friends our sincere condolences.

Be It Further Resolved, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Milton Carroll Marshall aka "Big Eazy".


CARRIE M. AUSTIN
Alderman, 34th Ward

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