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TRIBUTE TO CARNELL MARIE SMITH

WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His Infinite Wisdom, has granted Carnell Marie Smith, an outstanding citizen and member of her community, eternal rest on February 16, 2013; and

WHEREAS, On September 7, 1941, Carnell Marie Smith started her life journey in Emerson, Arkansas as one of the daughters of the late Gulver and Esther Ballard Caldwell. After migrating to this city, she grew up on the West Side. After graduating from Farragut High School in 1958, she married Curtis Whitehead, Sr. and, to this union, a son and two daughters were born. Later in life, she married J.B. Smith, Jr. and added a son to her family; and

WHEREAS, More than three decades ago, Carnell Marie Smith moved to the Englewood community. Although she was one of the Number One salespeople for Primera Insurance Company, she found time to be an active member of the community, serving with the Lindblom Park Advisory Board, the C.A.P.S. program, and working at the polls on election days. She also worked for the Community Economic & Development Assistance programs, helping families receive grants to help pay utility bills and meet their other financial obligations; and

WHEREAS, Carnell Marie Smith donated time, energy, and financial support to various non-profit organizations such as Chicago Southside Sarcoidosis Support Group and Beverly Martial Arts. In her leisure time, she enjoyed spending time with her family, going on road trip, playing bid whist, listening to gospel music and the blues, watching "Dancing with the Stars" and cooking; and

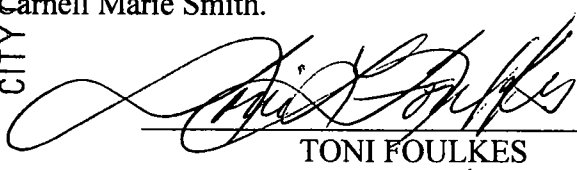
WHEREAS, Carnell Marie Smith leaves behind to celebrate her memory her sisters, Gulverstine Caldwell and Azzie Lee Patterson; her four children, Curtis Whitehead, Jr., Desiree Lanell Mack-Hardin, Tina Louise Smith, and Tjuan Lamar Smith; seven grandchildren, Este, Margie, Keosha, Crystal, Kendra, Nadea, and Curtis Lamar as well as her three great-grandchildren Phoenix, Journee, and Trinity along with her loving nieces, nephews and a host of family and friends; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Toni Foulkes, Alderman of the 15th Ward, has informed this august body of the passing of this noteworthy and remarkable woman; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, gathered here this 13th Day of March, 2013 AD, do hereby express our sincerest sorrow upon learning of the passing of Carnell Marie Smith and extend our deepest condolences to her family and the many friends whose lives she touched.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Carnell Marie Smith.

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