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Tribute to late Cheryl Blackwell Bryson

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Cheryl Blackwell Bryson has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of sixty-one; and

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

WHEREAS, A longtime resident of Chicago, Cheryl Blackwell Bryson was the loving and devoted wife of the late James; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Blackwell Bryson was the much-adored mother of Blake and the late Bradley; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Blackwell Bryson was a valued member of the board of the DuSable Museum of African-American History and was named in 2009 to serve as Chairwoman; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Blackwell Bryson was a visionary leader and instrumental in revitalizing the institution's capital campaign; and

WHEREAS, A Partner at the law firm of Duane Morris, Cheryl Blackwell Bryson was an expert in labor law; and

WHEREAS, From 1980 to 1989, Cheryl Blackwell Bryson served as a Deputy Corporation Counsel for the City of Chicago and helped to establish its labor relations division; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Blackwell Bryson earned her law degree from Ohio State University where she was the first African-American to hold an editor's post on the school's law review; and

WHEREAS, Regarded as an innovator in her field, Cheryl Blackwell Bryson considered it a privilege to mentor younger lawyers; and

WHEREAS, To her beloved family, Cheryl Blackwell Bryson 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 fifteenth day of February, 2012, do hereby commemorate Cheryl Blackwell Bryson for her grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to her family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Cheryl Blackwell Bryson.

Alderman – 14th Ward