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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Evelyn Mildred Henderson has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 109; and

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

WHEREAS, A native of Winchester, Kentucky, Evelyn Mildred Henderson was born on February 10, 1905 to Dr. John and Eva Tyler; and

WHEREAS, Evelyn Mildred Henderson graduated from Wilberforce University where she was selected as Miss Wilberforce in 1925; and

WHEREAS, Evelyn Mildred Henderson married big band musician Horace Henderson in 1927 and the couple had one daughter, Theresa; and

WHEREAS, Evelyn Mildred Henderson earned a master's degree in library science from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana and embarked on a successful career as an educator and librarian; and

WHEREAS, Evelyn Mildred Henderson retired in 1972 after 42 years of dedicated service to her profession; and

WHEREAS, In the 1990s, Evelyn Mildred Henderson moved to Chicago's Hyde Park community where she lived for nearly 20 years with her daughter, just a block from the home of President Barack Obama; and

WHEREAS, Even after the age of 100, Evelyn Mildred Henderson continued to enjoy a variety of favorite pastimes which included gardening, knitting, sewing, crocheting and baking; and

WHEREAS, Evelyn Mildred Henderson also read the newspaper daily and loved watching college basketball games; and

WHEREAS, Evelyn Mildred Henderson could recall the sinking of the Titanic and lived to see the elections of 19 presidents; and

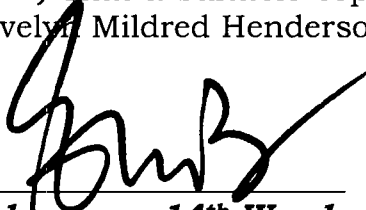
WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Evelyn Mildred Henderson serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, Evelyn Mildred Henderson will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To her beloved family, Evelyn Mildred Henderson 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-eighth day of May, 2014, do hereby commemorate Evelyn Mildred Henderson 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 Evelyn Mildred Henderson.



Alderman - 14th Ward

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