



# City of Chicago



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<b>Title:</b>	Tribute to late Marcia Gray Martin
<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** Marcia Gray Martin has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 81; and

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

**WHEREAS,** Marcia Gray Martin was the loving wife of former Wheaton Mayor Robert Martin; and

**WHEREAS,** Marcia Gray Martin was the much-adored mother of Charles and Liz and the grandmother of five to whom she imparted many of the fine and gracious qualities that she possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS,** A widely admired artist, architect and educator, Marcia Gray Martin was an integral part of the Wheaton community where she lived for fifty years; and

**WHEREAS,** Born in Chicago's South Shore neighborhood, Marcia Gray Martin graduated as the only woman in 1956 from the architectural program at the Illinois Institute of Technology which was headed by the iconic architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe; and

**WHEREAS,** While attending ITT, Marcia Gray Martin met her future husband, a fellow yearbook editor, and the couple settled in Wheaton; and

**WHEREAS,** In 1980 Marcia Gray Martin began teaching architectural history, site design, drafting and sketching at the College of DuPage where she was admired for her unfailing gentleness and patience with students; and

**WHEREAS,** Above all else, Marcia Gray Martin considered herself an artist and worked in many media, including sketching, watercolors, sculpture and china painting; and

**WHEREAS,** In 1997 Marcia Gray Martin earned a master's degree in liberal arts from North Central College in Naperville; and

**WHEREAS,** Marcia Gray Martin published a book in 2010 that was a composite of 45 years of sketches of Wheaton and traced the growth, history and vitality of the community over the decades; and

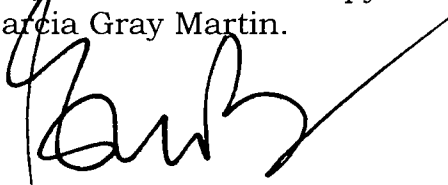
**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Marcia Gray Martin serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** Marcia Gray Martin will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To her beloved family, Marcia Gray Martin 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 second day of April, 2014, do hereby commemorate Marcia Gray Martin 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 Marcia Gray Martin.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Barb', is written over a horizontal line.

**Alderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**