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RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF AN EXTRAORDINARY WOMAN  
MOTHER IZOLA BALL

*WHEREAS, Mother Izola Ball made her transition and ascension to the next plane on Friday, June 16, 2017. She received her open invitation to reunite and to be with her mother and loved ones who preceded her, when she accepted her place to be with her Creator. As Heaven's Gates open wide and the Angels that stood alongside shouted, Izola has made it home, a voice rang through Heaven, "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."; and*

*WHEREAS, there were some who knew Mother Ball for her delicious southern cuisine, others appreciated her bright smile, comical ways, and words of wisdom, and more importantly, the quality time she spent with her family and friends, helping to mother and to nurture all that she would meet throughout the years; and*


*WHEREAS, the word of God in Proverbs says, "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies... She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms... She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness." Mother Ball's life was molded and modeled after this scripture. She was a dedicated, warrior for the Most High God, who blessed her with the precious gift of insight for which she cherished and held dearly; and*

*WHEREAS, there are so many additional gifts and talents that can be shared about Mother Ball, who was a pillar of strength, a loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend to all whom she encountered, and she passed her gift of love and wisdom and loyalty and dedication to her son, Bishop D.E. Halcolm, Ph.D., D.D., who's Temple has been a community safe haven in the 20<sup>th</sup> Ward, but it is my greatest hope that we can all carry out the same type of unconditional love that Mother Ball shared with us among our own community, family, friends, neighbors, and loved one, but especially those we call our enemies; and*

*WHEREAS, today, let us not say good-bye and not dwell in pity for the true and living God makes no mistakes and there is no death, but life everlasting, as Mother Ball continues to live on with us in spirit and in our hearts;*

*BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the members of City Council will stand together on July 26, 2017, A.D., to express their well wishes to the family and to all those who join in, in celebrating the life of Mother Izola Ball.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Mother Izola Ball.*



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