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WHEREAS, on Saturday, January 1, 2011, the Almighty God, in his infinite wisdom called to his eternal paradise, Mary Lois Reid Craig; and

WHEREAS, the Chicago City Council has been informed of this by 18th Ward Alderman Lona Lane; and

WHEREAS, Mary Lois was born October 20, 1929 in Louise, Mississippi to the union of Oliver, Sr. and Julia Feggin; and

WHEREAS, At a very tender age, Mary was baptized at the Holly Chapel M.B. Church in Louise, Mississippi under the late Reverend E. X. Hicks. For the past twelve years she was a member of Original Philadelphia M. B. Church under Rev. Demetrius Klyce; and

WHEREAS, Mary was united in holy matrimony with her childhood sweetheart, Mr. Samuel Reid Sr., in 1947. As they sought better employment opportunities, they both moved to Chicago, Illinois. They were blessed with two beautiful children, Samuel Reid, Jr., and Gloria Dean Reid. Samuel Reid, Jr. was her rock; and

WHEREAS, Mary began employment with the Szabo Foods Company in 1950. She demonstrated her leadership ability by becoming a Union Stewardess, and encouraging four of her sisters to join her place of employment. After forty years of service, she retired in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Mary was committed to her family, and when someone was hospitalized or ill, she called every single day. Mary served as a grandmother to all of her great nieces and nephews. She was a special baby sitter to a vast majority of them. In addition, she loved cooking huge dinners, and she made the best greens and candy sweet potatoes on earth; and

WHEREAS, Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Samuel Reid, Sr.; her son, Samuel Jr.; her parents, Oliver, Sr., and Julia Feggin; her brother, Oliver Feggin, Jr.; and her three sisters, Pearl Baker, Sarah Richards, and Doris Walker; and leaves behind to cherish her loving memory: her daughter, Gloria Dean Reid; two grand-daughters, Devita and Monique; four great-grandchildren, Deon, Little Sam, Tilman, and Sharnelle; two sisters, Helen Feggin and Julia Greer; two brothers, Ben and Jerry Feggin; one sister-in-law, Janet Feggin; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and neighbors from Wrightwood and Englewood; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here in assembly this ninth day of March, 2011 A.D do hereby express our sorrow on the passing of Mary Lois Reid Craig and extend to her family and friends our deepest sympathy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Mary Lois Reid Craig's family.



Lona Lane
18th Ward Alderman

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