



# City of Chicago



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**Meeting Date:** 2/1/2023  
**Sponsor(s):** Coleman (16)  
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**Title:** Tribute to late Mother Ophelia Scott  
**Committee(s) Assignment:**

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF MOTHER OPHELIA SCOTT**

**WHEREAS**, Born April 7, 1929, Ophelia Scott, active community volunteer and Mother of the church, passed away in August of 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicago City Council has been informed of Mother Scott's passing by the Honorable Stephanie D. Coleman, Alderman of the 16th Ward; and

**WHEREAS**, Mother Scott had a passion for singing and was a member of the choir for many years; she was known to say: "I sing because it makes me happy, and when I sing I think only of good things"; and

**WHEREAS**, Mother Scott loved Christ and was a passionate Sunday school and Christian education teacher; she had a gift to engage her students with creative lessons; and

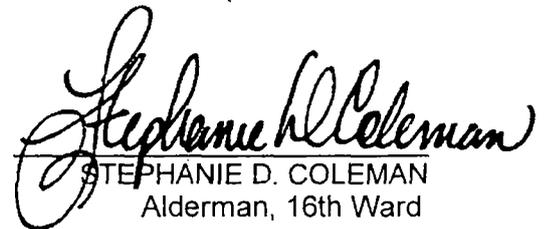
**WHEREAS**, Mother Scott was President of the Mother's Board, she supported young congregants and church families, a role she thrived in due to her years of responsibility and service to Missionary Baptist Church; and

**WHEREAS**, Always diligent in her duties to her church, prior to her illness Mother Scott was a constant presence at Missionary Bible Study come sun, rain, sleet, or snow she was there every Wednesday — a true Missionary; and

**WHEREAS**, Mother Scott was truly selfless, if you were in need and Mother Scott could help, she would; even at the height of her illness she would care for the sick, she would give you her last dime, and give to the hungry even when she needed food in her house; and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and the Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago gathered here this first day of February 2023, do hereby extend our condolences to the family and friends of Mother Ophelia Scott; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Mother Ophelia Scott as a sign of our honor and respect.

  
STEPHANIE D. COLEMAN  
Alderman, 16th Ward