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Tribute to late Jackie Mosley Butler

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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR JACKIE MOSLEY BUTLER

WHEREAS, God in His Infinite Wisdom has called Jackie Mosley Butler, most beloved citizen, to his eternal reward on February 18, 2019 at the age of sixty-nine; and

WHEREAS, This august body has been informed of his passing by the Honorable Carrie M. Austin, Alderman of the 34th Ward and Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Government Operations; and

WHEREAS, Jackie was born in Quitman County, Mississippi, on September 20, 1949 to loving parents, the late Jack and Willie Mae Butler; and

WHEREAS, Jackie moved to Chicago in the early 1960's where he met his soon to be beloved wife, Hilda Mae Terrell. When Jackie first saw Hilda, he told his best friend Calvin Johnson that he was going to marry her. Jackie and Hilda were married on March 25, 1970, and were blessed with two sons; and

WHEREAS, Jackie attended Richard T. Crane High School and Illinois State University where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology. While at ISU, Jackie joined the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity established for African American men, founded in 1906 at Cornell University. They provide support for African-Americans facing educational and social prejudice in higher education. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity laid a firm foundation principles of scholarship, fellowship, good character and the uplifting of humanity; and

WHEREAS, During the course of his life, Jackie worked at the Metropolitan Correctional Facility, Elkay Manufacturing, and Cook County, his last job before his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Jackie was a dedicated family man with a generous and loving nature. His sons, Duane and Omar, credit their father for serving as a consistent role model in how to become good and caring men; and

WHEREAS, Jackie was a strong community supporter. For several years he served as a precinct captain for 34th Ward Democratic Organization, helping to meet the needs of ward constituents. He was well known throughout the neighborhood as someone who was kind, well-humored, and quick to put people at ease when they met him; and

WHEREAS, Jackie leaves to cherish his memories: his beloved wife, Hilda Mae Butler; loving sons, Duane Butler (Flossie) and Omar Butler; adoring grandchildren, Glenda, Angelique, Duane, Lamia, Denise, Jasun, and Madison; precious great-grandchild, Leia; fond nephew, Jimmy Lee Butler; childhood companion and niece, Annie (Bonnie) Collins-Wheeler, and a host of other treasured extended family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Jackie was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Willie Mae Butler, and his seven siblings; and

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BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this thirteenth day of March 2019, do hereby extend our most heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Jackie Mosley Butler; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Jackie Mosley Butler as a sign of our honor and respect.

CARRIE M. AUSTIN Alderman, 34th Ward