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HONORING ROSIE L. PETERSON

WHEREAS, Rosie L. Peterson was born on March 7, 1937 in Ripley, Mississippi to Joe Peterson and Judy Adams, a farmer and homemaker respectively, as one of eleven children; and

WHEREAS, a young Rosie and her family moved to Middleton, Tennessee near the end of Great Depression; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Peterson attended school part-time in order to help family tend the farm during the lean years of World War II; and

WHEREAS, at age 18, Ms. Peterson joined the Great Northern Migration of Black Americans moving to Chicago where Ms. Peterson worked in housekeeping at McCormick Place, as a senior care worker and domestic home worker for several families. In the late 1990's, Ms. Peterson, transitioned to a job in security for the city of Chicago's Department of General Services, where she worked until she retired in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Peterson was a force of nature, strong willed, fiercely independent as head of her household, and caring and protective mother; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Peterson had three children: Terry, Diann and Tyrone. Ms. Peterson used her own lifelong experience of hard work and love of family as the guiding light in her children's lives. Ms. Peterson instilled middle-class values of the importance of discipline, cleanliness, hard work and respect in her children; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Peterson passed away on March 12, 2021 in Chicago, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Peterson is survived by her three children, Terry Peterson, Diann (Corhn) Peterson and Tyrone Peterson; five sisters, Betty Woods, Johnnie Thompson, Bobby White, Charlene Beecher, and Grace Baity; Junior Jeans; and a multitude of nieces, nephews and friends; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Peterson was a cherished resident, neighbor, and friend of the 17th Ward and 3rd Cook County District; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, BILL LOWRY, COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONER of the 3rd DISTRICT, and I, JOHN DALEY, COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONER of the 11th DISTRICT, do

hereby jointly stand, and salute the life of Rosie L. Peterson; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a suitable copy of this Resolution will be presented to the family of Rosie L. Peterson.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be filed within the Offices of Cook County Commissioners Bill Lowry 3rd District and John Daley 11th District

Sponsors: BILL LOWRY, JOHN P. DALEY

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