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IN LOVING MEMORY OF SANDRA-LYNNE BAILEY

2 Timothy 4:7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne, a beloved daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, graced this earthly realm with her presence on July 23, 1962, in Chicago, Illinois and departed this life leaving an indelible mark on the hearts of all who knew her; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne was nurtured by the love, values, and guidance of her devoted parents, Charles and Barbara Joyner-Powell, instilling in her a profound appreciation for family, music, hard work, and compassion for others; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne's academic journey began at St. Carthage Elementary School, where she cultivated a strong foundation of academic excellence, moral values, and a commitment to serving others, laying the groundwork for her future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne continued her educational pursuit at the Academy of Our Lady High School, where she distinguished herself as a diligent scholar, a compassionate friend, and a shining example of leadership, leaving an indelible mark on the school community; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne furthered her quest for knowledge and personal growth at Loyola University, where she immersed herself in higher education, expanding her horizons, and embracing the pursuit of truth, justice, and lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne-Bailey's greatest joys were found in her role as James Bailey's wife, the mother to James Howard Bailey II, affectionately known as Jamie, and as a devoted grandmother to Heavven Marie, Faith Nicole, and bonus grandbaby Patrick, whom she adored beyond measure; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne-Bailey's boundless love extended beyond her immediate family to embrace her sisters Cynthia and Andrea, her bonus daughter Dorothy, her dear friends turned family Esha, Khari, Jimmie, Charlene, and countless others who were touched by her warmth and generosity; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne-Bailey's legacy of love, resilience, and devotion will continue to resonate through the lives of her cherished grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and all her beloved bonus children, whom she nurtured with wisdom, encouragement, and unwavering support; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne-Bailey exemplified unwavering dedication and compassion in her professional endeavors, serving the community through her work at the Public Defender's Office of the Circuit Court of Cook County, the Homewood Medical Center, and her advocacy for abused children in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne-Bailey's memory will forever be cherished through the timeless melodies of Kool and the Gang and Johnny Gill, serving as a beacon of comfort and solace to those who hold her dear in their hearts; and

WHEREAS, Sandra Lynne-Bailey has been reunited in the embrace of her loved ones who preceded her in death, including her beloved husband James Bailey, whose love and unwavering support illuminated her path for 42 years,

enriching her with cherished memories and unwavering companionship, her sister Tracy, her grandson Montra, her nephew Nathaniel Jr., and countless generations who welcomed her with open arms on the other side; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, let it be proclaimed that we, the community, as we mourn Sandra Lynne-Bailey's passing, let us celebrate her remarkable life and the indelible mark she left on our hearts. Though she may have departed this earthly realm, her spirit remains eternal, forever enriching the universe with her boundless love and infectious smile. May peace be her eternal journey, and may her spirit soar among the heavens, forever watching over us.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County do hereby recognize the great contributions and legacy that Sandra Lynne-Bailey made during her years on this earth; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Proclamation be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered to the family of Sandra Lynne-Bailey.