

# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

# **Legislation Text**

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#### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

### RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE OF MARGUERITE MORRISON

WHEREAS, Margaret Adams was born September 25th to Willie and Minnie Adams in Chicago, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, in 1936, Robert (Bob) and Verneda Winrow raised Margurite as their own when Marguerite was three years old after a brief stint in fosters care. Bob gave her the name Marguerite after his beloved sister; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite attended Corpus Christi Grammar School and Flower Technical High School. Additionally, Marguerite received classical training in piano at the Grace Daly School of Music. The Art Institute of Chicago recognized Maguerite's talents and invited her to pursue her love of drawing and painting; and

WHEREAS, on May 31, 1950, Marguerite gave birth to her first-born son, Anthony Lawrence Adams; and

WHEREAS, in 1957, Marguerite moved to Corpus Christi, Texas eventually joining the United States Air Force serving as a combat medic; and

WHEREAS, on May 23, 1959 she married Louis Morrison in Chicago, Illinois. Their union welcomed five (5) children: Anthony, Paul, Peter, Carole, and Dale; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Marguerite lost the love of her life at the age of 52, continuing her courageous life journey without Louis by her side. Marguerite ensured her youngest child completed high school and supported her older children through college. Her love for education led her to take classes in the Adult Integrated Learning Program at Chicago State University while in her 50's; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite put her faith in Jesus Christ in the early 1980's as a member of Bellevue Baptist Church for over 30 years under the shepherding of Pastor Lucious Fullwood. She loved being an active member of the 11 a.m. choir and Eons senior group; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite was a voracious reader, loved working crossword puzzles, music, and the theater. Marguerite was a Goodman Theater season ticket holder; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, Marguerite's children were able to locate her eldest son, Michael Brown, after putting Michael up for adoption in May of 1950. Michael reunited with Marguerite after 67 years; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite, affectionately known as "Grammies", was beloved by more than her biological children and had a community of individuals that lovingly called her "Mom"; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, Marguerite passed away at Little Company of Mary Hospital. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Louis Morrison; brother Harold Adams and her other siblings; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite leaves to cherish her memory and carry on her legacy, her loving children, Michael Brown (Linda), Anthony (LaTanya), Paul (Angelin), Peter (Lisa), Carole Hall and Dale (Shadawn); 16 grandchildren, Michael Tyler (Michelle), Adam, Katrina, Kristin (Jesse), Anthony Jr., Justin (Vanessa), Julian, Jalynn, Patrice (Hakim), Peter Jr.,

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Daniel (Cristina), Dejah, Michael, Natalie, Dale Jr. and Theodore; and eight (8) great grandchildren, Sofia, Maison, Jacob, Jianna, Jonathan, Kai, Arlette, and Noa; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, BILL LOWRY, COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONER of the 3<sup>rd</sup> DISTRICT, do hereby stand, and salute the phenomenal life of Marguerite Morrison; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, a suitable copy of this Resolution will be presented to the family of Marguerite Morrison; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: a copy of this Resolution will be filed within the Office of Cook County Commissioner Bill Lowry 3<sup>rd</sup> District.