

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE OF AUDREY ANNE SCOTT ARMSTRONG

WHEREAS, Audrey Anne Scott Armstrong was born February 21, 1937, to the Elder Jonah Scott and Pauline Cummings in Camden, Arkansas. She graduated from Lincoln Sr. High School in Camden, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, While attending Arkansas Agricultural, Mechanical and Normal College, now University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff (UAPB) on a 4H scholarship and as a home economics major, now known as Family and Consumer Sciences. Audrey met the love of her life and soulmate Oscar James Armstrong; and

WHEREAS, Audrey and Oscar married in Chicago September 5, 1957, after completing their junior year at Arkansas Agricultural, Mechanical and Normal College.

WHEREAS, Audrey graduated from Arkansas Agricultural, Mechanical and Normal College with a B.S. degree in Homes Economics. As the top student in her major, Audrey was offered an opportunity by the head of her department to become the first black faculty at Little Rock Central High School. But she declined that offer to join her husband in Chicago, which she never regretted. Audrey graduated from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with an M.S. in Education; and

WHEREAS, Audrey had a prolific career of teaching in the Suburban Public School System, Cook County School District 130. Audrey retired in 1997 after 34 years of service. Audrey maintained 51 years of membership in the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. She traveled North America widely to conferences pertinent to her field and obtained certification in Family and Consumer Science; and

WHEREAS, Audrey was a dedicated Church Mother of St. James Ministries Church of God In Christ, where she served in various departments; Follow Up Ministry, Financial Secretary, Computer and Sunday School Instructor. She was one of St. James Ministries most successful fundraiser. Audrey always provided some financial support to the college students who came home during their breaks; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Audrey Anne Scott Armstrong received her heavenly reward February 20, 2022. A great woman who was always busy working for God-WELL DONE THEY GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT; and

WHEREAS, Besides her children Ingrid and Mark, Audrey is survived by granddaughters Eris Y. Doweary, Nia S. Doweary, sisters, sister-in-law, former School District 130 colleague Diane Parham, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends and her St. James Ministries family: and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Mrs. Audrey Scott Armstrong.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of same be tendered to the family of Mrs. Audrey Scott Armstrong, that her memory may be so honored and ever cherished.