



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 6, 2017

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners extending sympathy and condolences to the family of Carolyn Rush

WHEREAS, Carolyn Rush was born on May 27, 1949 in Memphis, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, when she was young, her family moved to Chicago, where Carolyn attended Hirsch High School; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn graduated with high honors from Roosevelt University with a major in organizational leadership; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, Carolyn married Representative Bobby Rush, creating a blended family of seven children; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn worked as a community organizer, precinct captain and political strategist for many campaigns, including her husband's; and

WHEREAS, instrumental in the Civil Rights Movement, Carolyn worked to end discrimination in housing and employment; and

WHEREAS, when Representative Rush was diagnosed with cancer in 2008, Carolyn never left his side, and he was equally devoted in her illness before her passing; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn was predeceased by son Huey Rich; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn is survived and celebrated by her husband, Representative Bobby Rush, their six children and eleven grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, as Emily Dickinson said, "Unable are the loved to die. For love is immortality;" and

WHEREAS, Carolyn lives on in the memories of her beloved family and friends; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, on behalf of ourselves and staff, extend our sympathy and condolences to the family of Carolyn Rush; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the permanent Record of Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago.

Dated: April 6, 2017

Approved: MARIYANA T. SPYROPOULOS, President; BARBARA J. MCGOWAN, Vice President; FRANK AVILA, Chairman, Committee on Finance; TIMOTHY BRADFORD; MARTIN J. DURKAN; JOSINA MORITA;

DEBRA SHORE; KARI K. STEELE; DAVID J. WALSH; Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Approved as to Form and Legality: Ronald M. Hill, General Counsel, RMH:aw