

A RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE OF LOIS MARIE MAYFIELD FOR HER
DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF ANN ARBOR AND WASHTENAW
COUNTY
WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MARCH 5, 2014

WHEREAS, our community lost a valued activist, social justice advocate, and community organizer on February 21, 2014, with the passing of Lois Marie Mayfield; and

WHEREAS, Lois Marie Mayfield was born June 9, 1938 at the University of Michigan Hospital to George and Sarah Gordenier of Dexter, MI, attended St. Joseph Catholic School in Dexter and graduated high school from Nazareth Academy in Kalamazoo, MI; and

WHEREAS, Lois Marie Mayfield married Robert G. Mayfield, Sr. and is survived by her three children – Robert Mayfield II, Carrie Mayfield, Phillip Mayfield and three grandchildren – Sarah Mayfield, Meagan, and Peter Keeler, Jr. – and three sisters, a brother-in-law, and many beloved nieces, nephews, and great ones too; and

WHEREAS, Lois Marie Mayfield served as a shining example of what it means to be a citizen activist and engaged voter; and

WHEREAS, Lois Marie Mayfield served the People of Michigan and Washtenaw County with distinction in her capacity at the Interfaith Center for Human Needs in Ann Arbor, MI; as Executive Director of the Welfare Advocacy Program in Ann Arbor; as Director of the Infant & Parent Health Project in Flint, MI; as Vice Chair for Mature Adult Issues with the Ann Arbor Democratic Party; as a member of the Ann Arbor Branch of the NAACP; and

WHEREAS, Lois Marie Mayfield served as a mentor to countless leaders, stood tall among the powerful – and when necessary – kept them in line with the sheer force of her character; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes Lois Marie Mayfield for her years of faithful service, integrity, courage, and unflagging commitment to the common good; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby honors the life of Lois Marie Mayfield for her dedication and service to her community and for the inspiration she gave to the citizens of Ann Arbor and Washtenaw County.

Yousef Rabhi
Washtenaw County Commissioner- District 8
Chair of the Board