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STATEMENT ON THE PASSING  
OF  
FORMER MAYOR RICHARD GORDON HATCHER OF GARY, INDIANA

December 14, 2019

Former Mayor Richard Gordon Hatcher of Gary, Indiana passed from this life on Friday, December 13, 2019 at 9:20 p.m. in Chicago, Illinois at Mercy Hospital. In the last days of his life, he was surrounded by his family and loved ones. While deeply saddened by his passing, his family is very proud of the life he lived, including his many contributions to the cause of racial and economic justice and the more than 20 years of service he devoted to the city of Gary.

Mayor Hatcher will be mourned but remembered by the people of the city of Gary who were inspired by his leadership, his ability to bring about positive change and to never give up despite the challenges presented to him.

Details regarding the public funeral plans will be forthcoming.

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