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<b>Title:</b>	Recognition extended to residents of Pullman
<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

## RECOGNIZING PULLMAN AS "A GREAT PLACE IN AMERICA"

WHEREAS, The America Planning Association designated the Pullman neighborhood of Chicago as "A Great Place in America" during a ceremony on Tuesday, October 4, 2011, and

WHEREAS, The Historic Pullman Foundation, Pullman Civic Organization, Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives, City of Chicago, and individual private property owners have restored many historic buildings in Pullman. The City of Chicago, the State of Illinois and local organizations have worked hand-in-hand with local residents to plan and implement many programs that help keep the Pullman neighborhood a great place, and

WHEREAS, The Town of Pullman was planned and developed in the 1880s using sound and innovative community planning principles. These same planning principles are valid, smart and green in 2011; and

WHEREAS, The Pullman Civic Organization was reactivated in 1960 in response to the threat of demolition of residential structures for an industrial development. Loyal residents of Pullman organized for the purpose of saving their homes, and

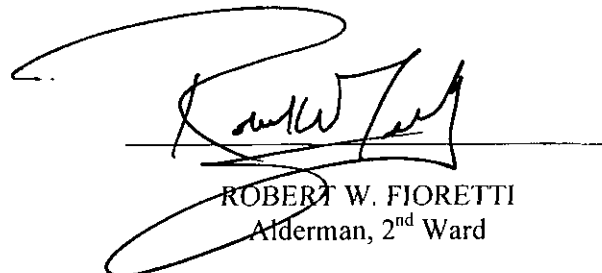
WHEREAS, Pullman residents learned of the unique historical and architectural significance of their buildings and the planned community they were trying to save. This understanding gave rise to an organized effort that led to the designation of the Pullman Historic District as a Federal, State and City landmark in 1972. The neighborhood continues improvements today as a racially, economically and socially diverse community; and

WHEREAS, The Pullman Civic Organization has partnered over the past 37 years with the Historic Pullman Foundation to sponsor the annual Pullman House Tour which brings thousands of visitors to the Pullman Historic District. These organizations also led the effort to reconstruct the Pullman Clock Tower at Pullman State Historic Site after it was destroyed by arson in 1998; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert W. Fioretti, Alderman of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward, has apprised this august body of the significance of the Pullman neighborhood in the aforesaid recitals, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, assembled this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011 A.D., do hereby commend the residents and boosters of Pullman for their efforts to preserve their important cultural heritage for present and future generations to enjoy, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be presented to the archives of the Historic Pullman Foundation



ROBERT W. FIORETTI  
Alderman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward

