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<b>Sponsor(s):</b>	Sposato, Nicholas (36)
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<b>Title:</b>	Congratulations extended to Galewood Community Church
<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

RESOLUTION HONORING  
GALEWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church is to be congratulated on its 100<sup>th</sup> year of service to the people of Galewood, where it remains an integral and valued part of our community; and

WHEREAS, the Chicago City Council has been informed of this occasion by the Honorable Nicholas Sposato, esteemed Alderman of the 36<sup>th</sup> Ward; and

WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church will gather to celebrate this momentous occasion at a luncheon to be held at Elmcrest Banquets on Saturday October 27, 2012 from 1PM to 5PM; and

WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church began its service to the Galewood community in 1912 with a congregation of 19 members, being the only church serving the Galewood community at this time; and

WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church continued to grow, expanding three different times to accommodate its growing congregation and responding to the spiritual needs of its people; and

WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church chose to be Open and Affirming when it was unpopular for churches to select that distinction; and

WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church is to be recognized for persevering during difficult times, uniting together to keep their church open and to continue their ministry; and

WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church has made many historic contributions to our society, including in 1959 when its Reverend Stan Davis established an outreach program for neighborhood youth on Chicago's northwest side; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Davis' program evolved into Youth Outreach Services in 1984, providing crisis assistance to youth in need and just celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church was honored to have the Rev. Calvin Morris, Executive Director of Community Renewal Society; serve as its associate pastor for years; and

WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church selected its first African American Pastor, Reverend Dr. Tasha Brown, in September of 2012; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Tasha Brown, along with the people of Galewood Community Church, are committed to continuing their tradition of being on the cusp of firsts, taking a stand and moving forward, for the betterment of all people; and

WHEREAS, The leaders of this great City are cognizant of the great debt owed those who give their time and treasure for the betterment of their community and their fellowman.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here in assembly this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2012, A.D., do hereby express our gratitude and our congratulations to Galewood Community Church on its Centennial Anniversary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Reverend Dr. Tasha Brown and Galewood Community Church.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicholas Sposato", is written over a horizontal line.

Nicholas Sposato  
Alderman, 36<sup>th</sup> Ward