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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, ChicagoPride.com, Chicago's largest online news and entertainment network for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community is celebrating its tenth year of service to the City of Chicago; and,

WHEREAS, Alderman Thomas Tunney has been informed of an extraordinary ten year anniversary party to be held on Thursday, June 14, 2012, to commemorate this special occasion; and,

WHEREAS, ChicagoPride.com is engaged in the mission of promoting, informing and motivating Chicago's vibrant LGBT community; and,

WHEREAS, ChicagoPride.com has proudly served the Chicago LGBT community by offering visibility to LGBT charities, organizations and businesses over the past decade; and,

WHEREAS, ChicagoPride.com is the most visited LGBT website in the Midwest, reaching upwards of 450,000 monthly visitors; and,

WHEREAS, ChicagoPride.com continues to showcase the vibrancy and diversity of Chicago's LGBT community, from Boystown and beyond, with a team of over 40 contributors, writers and photographers; and,

WHEREAS, Ralph Paul Gernhardt began publishing Gay Chicago Magazine thirty-five years ago, and since then, media has shifted from print to online, which is a trend Chicago residents Ron Matthew Inawat and Steve Long envisioned ten years ago when they launched the new ChicagoPride.com and helped evolve and develop a new media landscape in Chicago's LGBT community; and,

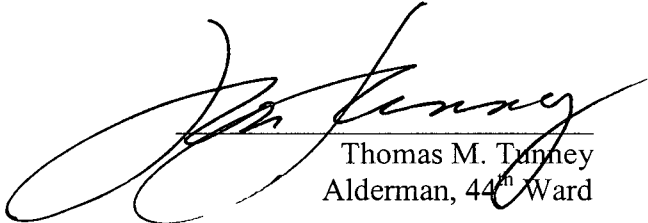
WHEREAS, Ron made history in 1999 by registering and creating the initial ChicagoPride.com, a local LGBT event guide, which is believed to be the first new media website for Chicago's LGBT community; and,

WHEREAS, in 2006, Bill Pritchard joined ChicagoPride.com to continue the website's tradition of community involvement by integrating the Make a Difference initiative, which strives to energize individuals to become more involved in their community; and,

WHEREAS, by harnessing the power of the Web, ChicagoPride.com is able to transcend the geographical boundaries of a neighborhood and increase communication between gay Chicagoans; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that we the Mayor and Members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this 6th day of June 2012, do hereby congratulate Ron Matthew Inawat, Steve Long, Bill Pritchard, Brian Decker, Michael Livingston and Daniel Ortiz on the 10th anniversary of ChicagoPride.com and for the service they provide to Chicago's LGBT community; and,

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the officers of ChicagoPride.com.



Thomas M. Tunney  
Alderman, 44<sup>th</sup> Ward