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Commemoration of the life of John G. Jones

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, John G. Jones was born on September 18, 1849 in Ithaca, New York, County of Tompkins; and,

WHEREAS, At seven years old, his family relocated to Chicago, Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, At an older age Jones studied law under W.W. O'Brien, who is a famous criminal lawyer in Illinois. On March 24, 1881, the Supreme Court of Illinois admitted John G. Jones to the Illinois Bar; and,

WHEREAS, He was later elected State Representative of the 5th District of Cook County Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, John G. Jones was a member of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F & A.M., of the State of Illinois. He was initiated, passed and raised in John Jones Lodges No.7, which was named after his uncle John Jones; and,

WHEREAS, John G. Jones served as Master of his Lodge; and,

WHEREAS, He was elected Grand Secretary in 1873 and 1874, and served as such until being elected as Deputy Grand Master in 1875; and,

WHEREAS, In 1876, Jones was very active in Scottish Rite Masonry and instrumental in organizing the Congress of Grand Lodges organized in Chicago in 1877; and,

WHEREAS, John G. Jones departed this life on July 20, 1920.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, That we, the mayor, and the members of the Chicago City Council assembled here this twenty fifth day of June, 2014 do hereby commemorate John G. Jones for his many lifetime contributions.

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Inter-Fraternal Masonic Relations Commission

Walter Burnett, Jr. Alderman, 27th Ward

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