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Resolution

Call for Nobel Prize Committee to consider people of Charleston, South Carolina for peace prize award following attack on Emanuel African Methodist Church

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Presented by City Clerk Susana A. Mendoza

September 24, 2015

WHEREAS, the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Charleston, South Carolina lost nine beloved members of its family on June 17, 2015, through a violent, hateful act; and

WHEREAS, the family members who lost loved ones in the days following this tragedy came together in an expression of unity and peace; and

WHEREAS, one loved one after another who lost family members that day and thousands of other deeply concerned citizens of the Charleston community came forward to express Christian forgiveness;

WHEREAS, the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church family demonstrated to the nation and the world the power of forgiveness, unity and love over divisiveness, anger and violence; and

WHEREAS, the Nobel Peace Prize is awarded to those individuals or entities that have "...done the most or best work for peace between nations... and also for the holding and promotion of peace congresses"; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chicago City Council and the people of the City of Chicago recognize with great admiration and empathy the strength, courage and unity exhibited by the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal church family and present to them this formal expression of that admiration and support, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chicago City Council and the people of the City of Chicago stand with the people and Government of Thornton Township; Cook County, Illinois; Thornton Township Supervisor Frank M. Zuccarelli; and the members of the Thornton Township Board in encouraging the Nobel Peace Prize Committee to consider the people of Charleston for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Conferred this ____ day of _____ 2015.

(signatories)

Susana A. Mendozo

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