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Fioretti, Bob (2)

Congratulations extended to Elder Anthony Durham

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Committee(s) Assignment:

<u>CONGRATULATION TO ELDER ANTHONY DURHAM</u> <u>APPOINTED EXECUTIVE LEADER OF HOLY BETHEL FIRE BAPTIZED HOLINESS</u> <u>CHURCH OF GOD</u>

WHEREAS, Elder Anthony Durham, an outstanding spiritual leader and member of his community, has been elevated to the position of Executive Leader of the Holy Bethel Fire Baptized Holiness Church of God with congregations in the cities of Chicago and Drtroit and the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Elder Anthony Durham was born in Greenville, South Carolina on September 25, 1971 to Melvin Sims and Linda Durham. He confessed his life to Chris at the age of 11. In addition he was raised in the ministry under his Grandmother, Evangelist Edith Durham Dennis, in which he followed around to many revivals she conducted; and

WHEREAS, at the age of 15, he began to feel and hear the voice of the Lord calling him into the ministry, but not ready, he continued on working in the church. He later found love and happiness in his childhood friend, Katron O. Bennon after a short courtship, they later married in 1993. God blessed the union with 2 lovely daughters, China and India. Feeling the pressure of the Lord, again he yields to the call of the Lord at the age of 27 and thus began his ministry; and

WHEREAS, Elder Anthony later joined Mt. Olive F.B.H church in Fountain Inn, South Carolina, under the great Pastor Drucilla Robinson. He worked faithfully in the church where he was made Jr. Deacon and later in life Sr. Deacon. He then joined the Eveangelistic team under the leadership of Rev. E.W. Meyers. They traveled all over the tri-state area winning souls for Christ; and

WHEREAS, In 2001, he was assigned to his first church, Queen Mary in Laurence, SC where he labored there for 1 year. In 2002, he was assigned to Mt. Zion in Greer, SC where he helped finish the church and labored there for 1 year. In 2003, he was assigned to Mt. Zion in Seneca, SC where labored for 8 years. In 2011 he was elevated to the office of Ruling Elder of the South West Ohio District where is expecting God to do great things; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert W. Fioretti, Alderman of the 2^{nd} Ward, has apprised this august body Elder Anthony Durham year, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago gathered here this 15th day of February in 2012, do hereby congratulate Elder Anthony Durham the new Appointed Executive Leader of Holy Bethel Fire Baptized Holiness Church of God here in Chicago, Detroit, and Ohio, and to continue his service to this church, community and to the surrounding churches.

BE IT FURHTER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Elder Durham and Holy Bethel Fire Baptized Holiness Church of God.

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