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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

December 9, 2015

TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a congratulatory resolution regarding Mr. Roosevelt Brown and Mr. Minor Thomas of the Department of Streets and Sanitation.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Mayor

A resolution

adopted by *The City Council*
of the *City of Chicago, Illinois*



Presented by MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL on DECEMBER 9, 2015

Whereas, In the early afternoon of Sunday, June 21, 2015, Roosevelt Brown and Minor Thomas, employees of the Chicago Department of Streets and Sanitation Graffiti Blasters unit, were eastbound on Division Street in the Wicker Park neighborhood when they caught sight of an obviously distressed woman calling for help; and

WHEREAS, Brown and Thomas pulled over and jumped out of their truck to investigate; and

WHEREAS, The distraught woman told them that a man had just assaulted her, putting his hands on her body in an unwelcome and inappropriate manner; and

WHEREAS, The woman pointed out her assailant, and Brown and Thomas took off in pursuit; and

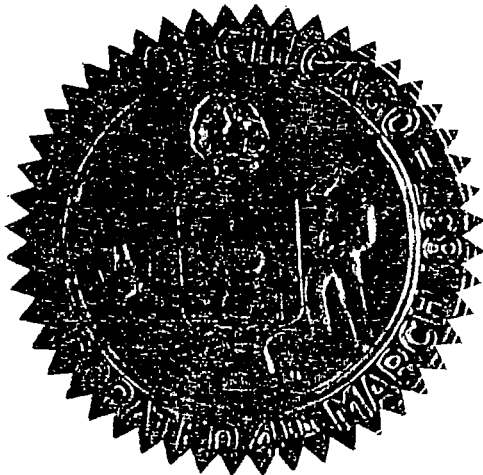
WHEREAS, After a short chase, Brown and Thomas overtook the man attempting to flee down an alley, foiled his escape, and held him in front of a restaurant near the intersection of Division and Hoyne Avenue until the police arrived; and

WHEREAS, The man was ultimately charged with a misdemeanor count of battery; and

WHEREAS, Suitably impressed by Brown and Thomas's timely and effective assistance, the victim of this degrading attack wrote a letter to the Commissioner of Streets and Sanitation expressing her eternal gratitude, urging that the men be "identified, thanked, and CELEBRATED," and sharing the sentiment "with guys like these working for the City, I'm proud to be a Chicagoan;" now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this ninth day of December, 2015, do hereby offer our heartfelt thanks to Roosevelt Brown and Minor Thomas for their exemplary conduct and willingness to go above and beyond the call of duty; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be presented to Roosevelt Brown and Minor Thomas as tokens of our esteem and gratitude, and placed on permanent record in their personnel files, as testaments to their stalwart service to the City of Chicago.



Handwritten signature of Rahm Emanuel in cursive script.

MAYOR

Handwritten signature of Susanna A. Mendez in cursive script.

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