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Congratulations extended to DaHuang Zhou and Shan Zuo

Zhou on contributions to art in Chicago

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

October 14, 2015

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith, together with Alderman Thompson, a congratulatory resolution concerning the Zhou Brothers.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Mayor



RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, As Chinese Nationals and leaders of the Chinese Contemporary Art
 Movement in China, the Zhou Brothers, DaHuang and Shan Zuo Zhou, have dedicated their lives
 to art; and
- WHEREAS, The Zhou Brothers immigrated to the United States in 1986 to continue their work on an international level and bring together Eastern and Western ideologies through art; and
- WHEREAS, The Zhou Brothers have been recognized internationally; they have received distinguished awards and their culturally significant works have been featured at museums and exhibitions around the world; and
- **WHEREAS**, The Zhou Brothers have collaborated in a unique way for over 40 years and hold live painting performances where audiences can experience their genius; and
- **WHEREAS**, In 2004, they founded the Zhou B Art Center in Chicago to help promote, nurture and elevate artistic talent and create a thriving artistic community; and
- WHEREAS, The Zhou Art Center has become the premier destination for international art and currently hosts over 50 resident artists and holds a monthly Third Friday show for new art exhibits; and
- WHEREAS, In 2011, the Zhou Brothers were commissioned by President Barack Obama to create a painting called "8 U.S. Presidents and the Great Wall," which was presented to President Hu. Jintao of China, at the White House; and
- **WHEREAS**, Among their many honors, the Zhou Brothers had October 16, 2014 proclaimed as Zhou Brothers Day in Illinois by Governor Patrick Quinn; and
- **WHEREAS**, On October 16, 2015, the Zhou Brothers will host the City of Big Dreams to showcase the treasure of young artistic talent in Chicago and raise funds for those organizations that bring art to Chicago youth; and
- **WHEREAS**, The Zhou Brothers have touched and enriched numerous lives over the years and provided a source of inspiration to the citizens of Chicagoland and around the world; and
- **WHEREAS**, The Zhou Brothers have enriched their adopted home of Bridgeport and brought significant cultural and economic development to the area; now, therefore,
- **BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this fourteenth day of October, 2015, do hereby honor DaHuang and Shan Zuo Zhou for bringing important art to the City of Chicago and further enhancing the art scene in Chicago; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to DaHuang Zhou and Shan Zuo Zhou as a token of our gratitude and esteem.