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RESOLUTION HONORING PRINCE HALL

WHEREAS, Prince Hall Masons are the oldest active fraternal organization among African Americans within the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, Prince Hall Masons, will be celebrating 160 years of existence but their roots in America extend well before the 1800s; and

WHEREAS, the organization was founded to honor one man, Prince Hall, after whom the Grand Lodge is named; and

WHEREAS, among the many beneficial and positive things done by Prince Hall was his ten year battle to abolish slavery in Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2011 the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Illinois will honor Prince Hall, and

WHEREAS, today Alderman William D. Burns honors the Prince Hall Masons for their contributions to the "Civil Rights Movement" in the City of Chicago and in the United States of America now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this 28th day of July, 2011, do hereby congratulate Prince Hall and the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Illinois.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Otis W. Cromartie, Sr., Grand Master.



William D. Burns
Alderman – 4th Ward

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