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Recognition extended to Wallace "Gator" Bradley and Andrew Holmes for community involvement

Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Betty Howard, a 58-year-old special education case manager at Gwendolyn Brooks College Prep, was tragically killed on May 29, 2014, by gunfire while working a second job as a realtor in the Chatham community; and

WHEREAS, Law enforcement authorities allege that the gunman was aiming at a rival who was driving by in a passing car when a stray bullet ripped through a wall of the real estate office and struck Betty Howard in the chest as she sat at her desk; and

WHEREAS, Two other innocent victims were injured by the spray of bullets; and

WHEREAS, On June 12, 2014, Dominique Hodrick, 23, was charged with the crime and denied bond; and

WHEREAS, Several days before the suspect was captured, Wallace "Gator" Bradley, the founder of United in Peace, and Andrew Holmes, an anti-violence activist, urged the community to assist in finding the individual responsible for her death; and

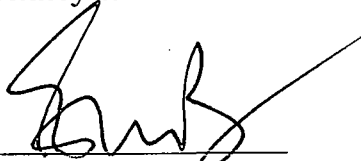
WHEREAS, Wallace "Gator" Bradley and Andrew Holmes circulated flyers bearing the name and photograph of Dominique Hodrick proclaiming him a "person of interest" in the case; and

WHEREAS, The flier stated "this brother's name is ringing in the streets" and urged the suspect or people who knew him to contact a number listed on the handout; and

WHEREAS, Wallace "Gator" Bradley and Andrew Holmes took these steps in order to help identify the perpetrator and to urge the public to join forces with law enforcement authorities in helping to solve the case; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twenty-fifth day of June, 2014, do hereby commend Wallace "Gator" Bradley and Andrew Holmes for their community involvement and active role in this criminal case; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Wallace "Gator" Bradley and Andrew Holmes.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Gator', written over a horizontal line.

Alderman - 14th Ward