



# City of Chicago



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**Meeting Date:** 3/15/2023

**Sponsor(s):** Mitts (37)

**Type:** Resolution

**Title:** Congratulations extended to Reverend Daniel E. Jones on becoming senior pastor of Original Providence Baptist Church of Chicago

**Committee(s) Assignment:**

**RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE PASTORAL INSTALLATION  
OF REVEREND DANIEL E. JONES**

**WHEREAS**, Reverend Daniel E. Jones was recently installed as the new Senior Pastor of the Original Providence Baptist Church of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this occasion by the Honorable Emma Mitts, Alderman of the 37th Ward; and

**WHEREAS**, Daniel E. Jones, affectionately known as Danny, was born on December 12, 1986 – the second of four children born to Johnna Jones – and was raised on the West and South Sides of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Always considered a peculiar child, it is said that Rev. Jones preached his first sermon out of the window of his childhood apartment at the age of seven months old; and

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Jones accepted Christ and was baptized at the age of seven years old, and received and accepted his call to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ at the age of 12, under the leadership of the late Rev. Dr. Arthur D. Griffin, Sr. of the First Baptist Congregational Church of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Jones officially received his license to preach in January 2000 and was later ordained through another ministry in June 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Under the tutelage of Dr. Griffin and his current Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. George W. Daniels, Rev. Jones was blessed to serve in an array of capacities such as one of the two Assistant Pastors, Children's Church Pastor, and the Youth Pastor of the First Baptist Congregational Church, in addition to serving as the Youth Director of the North Woodriver Baptist District Association and the Illinois Missionary Baptist State Convention under the leadership of the late Pastor Ricky T. Guyton and President Sidney Davis; and

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Jones is passionate about "being" who he was created and called to be and finds great joy in helping others organically uncover and discover who they are in Christ; he wholeheartedly believes in the power of creating community and building genuine relationships with those he comes in contact with on a day-to-day basis; and

**WHEREAS**, On December 3, 2022, the Original Providence Baptist Church of Chicago affirmed God's decision to call Rev. Daniel E. Jones to be its 19th Senior Pastor, where he will continue to live out his personal ministry motto – "if I can help somebody as I travel along the way, then my living will not be in vain"; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this fifteenth day of March, 2023, do hereby extend our congratulations to Rev. Daniel E. Jones and thank him for his service to the community; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Rev. Daniel E. Jones as a sign of our honor and respect.

  
EMMA MITTS  
Alderman, 37th Ward