

Office of the Chicago City Clerk



R2011-788

Office of the City Clerk

City Council Document Tracking Sheet

Meeting Date:

7/6/2011

Sponsor(s):

Harris, Michelle A. (8)

Type:

Resolution

Title:

Declaration of July 1st Through July 3rd 2011 as "Burley/Hobbs Family days" in Chicago

Committee(s) Assignment:

TRIBUTE TO THE BURLEY/HOBBES FAMILY REUNION

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago is privileged to be the host city for the Burley/Hobbs Family Reunion on July 1 through July 3, 2011; and

WHEREAS, The Burley/Hobbs Family Reunion is the first gathering of the extended family members in one coalescence under the theme "Remembering Where We Came From - To Know Where We Are Going"; and

WHEREAS, The celebration of this First Burley/Hobbs Family Reunion marks a rejuvenation of familial ties and traditions that have been passed down. The earliest record dating 1870 indicates the foundation of the family originated in Warren, Georgia from the union of Hampton Burley and Emerline Folder. At the time of Emerline's passing, it was noted that this union produced three girls and one boy, Josephine, Nancy, Jimmy, and Marlion; and

WHEREAS, In 1884, the eldest daughter, Josephine Burley, married Thomas Hobbs. This union conceived twelve children, all bom and raised in Warren, Georgia. These progeny scattered across the United States. By the early 1900's, several branches had made their home in this city; and

WHEREAS, The initial reunion of this lineage emphasizes the importance of these special bonds of both blood and cultural heritage. The Burley/Hobbs family has persevered through their migration northward and has flourished in this city that has always been a port of entry for the worthy and strong people of many races and nationalities. This family has shown that they exemplify and uphold such honored and cherished traditions; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Michelle Harris, Alderman of the 8th Ward, has apprised this august body of this noteworthy occasion; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the City of Chicago City Council, assembled here this 6th Day of July, 2011 AD, do hereby salute the Hurley/Hobbes Family on the joyous occasion of their special reunion, extend our sincerest welcome to all in attendance and declare July 1 through July 3, 2011 to be "Burley/Hobbs Family Days" throughout Chicago.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the Burley/Hobbs Family.

2011 70N 3L VA 10: 18

Alderman – 8th Ward

CITY COUNCIL DIVISION RECEIVED