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Resolution

Congratulations extended to The Greater Love Church of God in Christ on 50th anniversary

## **RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE GREATER LOVE CHURCH OF** GOD IN CHRIST ON ITS 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS. The Greater Love Church of God in Christ is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed body has been informed of this milestone by the Honorable Michael Scott. Jr., Alderman of the 24<sup>th</sup> Ward; and

WHEREAS, The Greater Love Church of God in Christ held its first service on Sunday, January 1, 1967, in the Houston's basement on 3120 West Arthington Street in Lawndale under the leadership of Pastor Ollie Lee Peel; and

WHEREAS, Membership in the The Greater Love Church of God in Christ grew so quickly that in March 1967 it moved to 1125 South Kedzie Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Ollie Peal was revered for his devotion to the gospel, giving spirit and love of family and friends. Pastor Peal had the support of his missionary wife Lucille C. Peal. He remained the leader of The Greater Love Church of God in Christ until his passing on September 21, 2006; and

WHEREAS. He was replaced by his son. Pastor Rex Alexander Peal. Pastor Peal began serving The Greater Love Church of God in Christ as Minister of Music at the age of 13. He has been a band director and music director of various musical groups and taught music at Loyola University and Valparaiso University. Pastor Peel has been honored to speak at various conventions of the clergy. He is married to First Lady Melissa D. Peel. They have two lovely children, Aria and Joshua; and

WHEREAS, The Greater Love Church of God in Christ is currently located at 1612 South Hamlin: and

WHEREAS, The Church is the location of many life events and the source of spiritual strength to its members; and

WHEREAS, The Greater Love Church of God in Christ is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year of Jubilee with a gala on July 21, 2017; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago. gathered here this twenty-eighth day of June, 2017, do hereby congratulate The Greater Love Church of God in Christ on its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and wish the Church continued spirituality and fulfillment.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to The Greater Love Church of God in Christ.

MICHÀEL SCOTT, JR.

Alderman, 24<sup>TH</sup> Ward