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Gratitude extended to Staff Sergeant De'Andre Hayes

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## HONORING ONE OF CHICAGO'S FINEST SOLDIER'S "STAFF SERGEANT DE'ANDRE HAVES"

WHEREAS, we thank our "Heavenly Father" for bringing home our fellowman, Staff Sergeant De'Andre Hayes after serving faithfully in both Iraq and Afghanistan. Though his journey may have been cumbersome at times, he maintained his position of authority and stood for righteousness even in a far-away land, and

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant De'Andre Hayes illustrates a man of resilience, and his accomplishments display his trust in God. Staff Sergeant De'Andre Hayes held onto the scripture which says, "For faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things unseen." Mr. Hayes graduated from Brother Rice High School and furthered his studies at St. Xavier College until he had a life changing experience, which caused him to enlist into the National Guard. Shortly thereafter, he joined the United States Army. His passion and admiration for serving in the United States Army awarded him the Jump Master title, along with obtaining airborne wings. He also received (2) Army Commendation Medals, (4) Army Achievement Medals, (3) Good Conduct Medals, (1) National Defense Medal, (1) Global War on Terrorism Medal, (1) Korean Defense Service Medal, (1) Nato Medal, (1) Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M Device, (1) Non Commissioned Officer Development Ribbon and much...much more, and

WHEREAS, the scripture teaches, "the Lord will never leave us nor forsake us" God has definitely kept this fine soldier, Staff Sergeant De'Andre Hayes. We are forever thankful that he stands before us in his right frame of mind and with every limb of his natural body, and

WHEREAS, at this moment, I speak with great confidence, when I say, "De'Andre's name means much more than just your average name." Every letter in his name stands for something: Determined to live according to the word of God; Extraordinary in all his ways, Accessible to those who call upon him, Noble in serving others; Distinguished in his appearance, Ready to accomplish greater things and Eternally grateful for his fellow soldiers, family, friends and associates; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, the Mayor and the members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, will gather together on the 8th Day of September, 2011, A.D., to express our sincerest appreciation to Staff Sergeant De'Andre Hayes for continually standing in the gap for us; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Staff Sergeant De'Andre Hayes.

HOWARD B. BROOKINS, JR.

Alderman  $-21^{st}$  Ward

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