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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Eric L. Johnson celebrates his 50th birthday on November 28, 2017. He is the youngest of six children born to Kelly L. Johnson and Lois Johnson (McGruder); and

WHEREAS, This esteemed body has been informed of this special occasion by the Honorable Matthew O'Shea, Alderman of the 19th Ward; and

WHEREAS, Eric L. Johnson is an enthusiastic, active, and much-loved resident of Chicago's 19th Ward; and

WHEREAS, Eric is cherished by a host of family and friends, including his dear wife Teresa; son, Eric L. Johnson Jr; two brothers, Davon W. Johnson and Jeffery L. Johnson; and three sisters, Cassandra L. Nunez, Leta V. Bassett and Stephanie Y. Lewis-Bennett; and

WHEREAS, Eric graduated from Oakwood Academy and went on to earn his Bachelor of Science degree from Oakwood University in 1990 with a major in Biology; and

WHEREAS, He joined the Chicago Fire Department in 1997 as a Fire Fighter – EMT. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 2007 and later to Captain in 2014. He currently is Captain of Engine 80, with over twenty years of ongoing service to the Chicago Fire Department; and


WHEREAS, Eric attends Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist Church, where he conducts safety presentations and assists the Safety Coordinator. He also has been involved with the Children's ministry for over six years, where he currently serves as Sabbath School teacher for the Beginners Class. In keeping with his love of sports, Eric has played basketball in the Christian Fellowship League for many years; and

WHEREAS, Eric is a devoted father and can often be found taking his son to gymnastics, taekwondo, soccer, swimming, piano and many other activities. Eric is an active parent at Lenart Regional Gifted Center, where his son Eric attends. He serves as a room volunteer, field trip chaperone, lunch room monitor, and book fair volunteer. He is an active member of the Lenart Parent Community Group in which he has participated in planning and volunteering for the Oktoberfest, Walk-a-thon, School picnic, and Chicago Cares Day. He has served as a referee for AYSO soccer the past 3 years. He currently holds the rank of High Red Deputy III belt in Taekwondo at the Woori Taekwondo & Hapkido Academy; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of Eric's many contributions to the City of Chicago and devotion to his family, the Chicago City Council believes that Eric L. Johnson is richly deserving of adulation and good wishes upon celebrating a 50th year of life, and we wish him the best for a long and prosperous future; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, gathered together this eleventh day of October, do hereby congratulate Eric L. Johnson on his 50th birthday and extend our very best wishes for many more birthdays to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Eric L. Johnson as a sign of our respect and good wishes.



MATTHEW O'SHEA
Alderman, 19th Ward