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## Legislation Text

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### *CONGRATULATIONS EXTENDED TO THE BARBERSHOP HARMONY SOCIETY ON CELEBRATING 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY*

WHEREAS, The Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc. (SPEBSQSA)-known now as The Barbershop Harmony Society-was officially organized seventy-five years ago, on April 11, 1938 in Tulsa, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this significant occasion by the Honorable Margaret Laurino, Alderman of the 39<sup>th</sup> Ward; and

WHEREAS, What began as a small group has steadily blossomed into the world's largest all-male singing organization, an international organization of men from all stations of life; and

WHEREAS, The Barbershop Harmony Society is committed to spreading harmony for the enjoyment of all people of the world through the universal language of music by organizing and encouraging Barbershop harmony singing groups; and

WHEREAS, The Barbershop Harmony Society is dedicated to sustaining and preserving an American tradition, the Barbershop Quartet, by performing and sharing Barbershop music with enthusiastic listeners and participants; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago Metro Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society has actively participated in encouraging Barbershop singing through its meetings and outreach activities within the City of Chicago and elsewhere; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this tenth day of April, 2013, do hereby extend our heartiest congratulations to The Barbershop Harmony Society on celebrating their 75th anniversary and wish them every success in any and all of their future endeavors; and

MARGARET LAURINO Alderman, 39<sup>th</sup> Ward

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the members of The Barbershop Harmony Society.