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RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE BIRTHDAY OF BISHOP CLARENCE E. BROWN III

WHEREAS, Bishop Clarence E. Brown III celebrated his birthday with a praise celebration on January 29, 2023 at Abundant Blessings Church; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this occasion by the Honorable Stephanie D. Coleman, Alderman of the 16th Ward; and

WHEREAS, "A man and leader after God's own heart"- Clarence was born December 31, 1977 to Doris E. Ducksworth and Clarence E. Brown Sr.; at an early age Clarence accepted Christ in his life, not knowing that early one Sunday morning, God would implant a vision of preaching in his life; and

WHEREAS, Clarence grew up as a member of Jericho M.B. Church under the pastorate of the late Rev. Lewis Johnson and Rev. Charlie Grant, who noticed that there was Ministry being birthed out of Clarence; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Grant would license and ordain Clarence as a Minister; Clarence became a constituent/servant of an array of gifts and talents while serving faithfully for 29 years, ranging from cleaning toilets to operating as assistant pastor; and

WHEREAS, On August 23, 2011 Clarence became pastor and organizer of Abundant Blessings Church right in his own living room with only six people, though God has been adding souls daily ever since; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Brown's hands started out playing the drums, then playing the piano, and now with those same hands he is praying, laying hands on the sick, and reaching out not only to the community of Englewood, but all of God's people throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Brown is beyond blessed to have Archbishop William Hudson III, of The Powerhouse Chicago & Chief Prelate of Pilgrim Assemblies International, as his Pastor & Spiritual Covering; he has been serving faithfully alongside his Spiritual Father since 2010 as lead servant for the Pastoral Care Ministry; and

WHEREAS, On July 21, 2018, Archbishop Hudson consecrated and elevated Pastor Brown to the office of Episcopal Vicar, which is also known as an Overseer of God's Church; on July 22, 2022, E.V. Brown would be further elevated to Bishop in The Lord's Church; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Brown serves on the Midwest Leadership Board, as the Bishop of Ministries within Pilgrim Assemblies International; and as chairman of the 007th District Englewood Faith Based Executive Board, where he serves and leads other spiritual leaders in helping to bring economic change to the community of Englewood; Bishop Brown is also a 2012 graduate of Dr. Bill Winston's Living Word School of Ministry and is currently studying at Northern Theological Seminary for his Master of Divinity; and

WHEREAS, Not only is Bishop Brown helping to save lives spiritually, he's also helping to save saving lives naturally, whether as a Firefighter-EMT with the Chicago Fire Department, or as the CEO of CEB3 Incorporated, an organization that promotes community excellence, education, and emotional well-being; and ^

WHEREAS, In 2007, Bishop Brown became the "Priest, Provider and Protector, Prophet and Pillow Partner (P5)" of Pastor/Lady Latasha Brown, affectionately known as "Pastor Lady"; through this marriage, God has been blessing them tremendously as well as others around them, including through the two jewels in their life: their daughter Shantel Monique Brown and their grandson Kyro; and

WHEREAS, A visionary leader whose mission is to "empower believers into their God given destiny and purpose, while they become changed, challenged, and convicted through the uncompromised Word of GOD", Bishop Brown has helped many of the City's residents reach both their spiritual and worldly potential; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this first day of February, 2023, do hereby wish Bishop Clarence E. Brown III a very happy birthday and wish him and his family continued happiness, prosperity, and success in all of their future endeavors; and

STJEPHANIE D. COLEMAN Alderman, 16th Ward

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Bishop Clarence E. Brown III as a sign of our honor and respect.