

A RESOLUTION HONORING MARANATHA WORLD REVIVAL MINISTRIES' 50TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago recognizes and honors Maranatha World Revival Ministries for its unwavering dedication and significant contributions to our communities over the past fifty years; and

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago has been notified of this occasion by the Honorable Felix Cardona, Jr., Alderman of the 31st Ward; and

WHEREAS, Maranatha World Revival Ministries, founded by Nahum and Minerva Rosario in 1974, has been a beacon of light and hope in the City of Chicago for five decades; and

WHEREAS, Nahum and Minerva Rosario, hailing from humble beginnings in Peña Pobre, Humacao, and Naguabo, Puerto Rico, embraced the opportunities in Chicago to start a new life and contribute to the community; and

WHEREAS, Nahum, initially a teacher in the Chicago Public School system, felt a calling to serve the community in a more profound way, leading him to leave his teaching position to create a new kind of classroom dedicated to sharing hope and love through Jesus Christ; and

WHEREAS, What began in homes, basements, and backyards rapidly grew, necessitating larger spaces for worship, starting with Maranatha Church's first location in Oak Park, followed by a move to North Avenue, and ultimately settling in its permanent home on Diversey Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Maranatha World Revival Ministries has always been more than just a place of worship, providing a sanctuary where individuals can rise from the ashes and find hope, feeding the hungry, embracing the forgotten, and offering second chances to many in need; and

WHEREAS, Despite challenging times in our City, Maranatha Church has remained steadfast in its commitment to being a source of hope and support, both locally and internationally, with a mandate to "Filling the Earth with the Glory of God"; and

WHEREAS, The legacy of Nahum and Minerva Rosario continues to thrive under the leadership of their son, Pastor Nisaac Rosario, and his wife, Cynthia Rosario, who have upheld and built upon the church's mission; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That the City of Chicago hereby extends our heartfelt congratulations to Maranatha World Revival Ministries on its 50th anniversary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Maranatha World Revival Ministries as a token of our respect and admiration for their enduring commitment to the people of Chicago.



FELIX CARDONA, JR.
Alderman, 31st Ward