## RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF R. E. MOORE MASONIC LODGE #109

WHEREAS, The R.E. Moore Masonic Lodge #109, of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Illinois, Free and Accepted Masons, is celebrating the 100th anniversary of their founding on October 16, 2023; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this milestone by the Honorable Derrick G. Curtis, Alderman of the 18th Ward; and

**WHEREAS**, Born on February 7th, 1850, Richard Edward Moore entered Prince Hall Masonry in 1872, and was elected the Grand Secretary of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge in 1912, at the age of 62; and

WHEREAS, R.E. Moore remained in that office, while also serving with honor in several other high-ranking positions, until his death on October 17, 1922, at the age of 72; and

**WHEREAS**, On October 16th, 1923, the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Illinois granted a charter to R.E. Moore Masonic Lodge, growing to over 200 members at its highest point; and

**WHEREAS**, In the 100 years since its chartering, the service and dedication of each administration have placed the R.E. Moore Masonic Lodge as a leader in both reputation and service to the community; and

WHEREAS, The R. E. Moore Lodge, and its ranks of men of the finest character who have committed themselves to the most laudable pursuits, has worked to raise money for money for organizations and people subject to financial misfortune, as well as for students and Historically Blacks Colleges, such as Wiley College and Alcorn State University, and is a lifetime member of the National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People (NAACP); and

**WHEREAS**, The R. E. Moore Masonic Lodge has vigorously worked to improve and mold the character of hundreds of men and will continue its pursuit of making men better citizens with the highest moral character; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, do hereby congratulate the R.E. Moore Masonic Lodge #109, of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Illinois, Free and Accepted Masons, on its 100th anniversary, and extend our extend our heartfelt thanks for the good works of the Lodge and its members; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the R.E Moore Masonic Lodge #109.

DERRICK G. CURTIS Alderman, 18th Ward