

A City Council Resolution Honoring Bronzeville Children's Museum

WHEREAS, The Bronzeville Children's Museum was opened in 1998 by founder Peggy A. Montes, a civic, cultural, women's rights activist and educator who saw a need for a "child friendly" museum to educate all children ages 4-9 and especially those children who are underserved, low income, at risk, educationally disadvantaged and less exposed; and

WHEREAS, The Bronzeville Children's Museum is the first and only African American children's museum in the country of more than 300 children's museums nationwide; and

WHEREAS, The Bronzeville Children's Museum has grown from a "Museum in the Mall" located in a storefront in the Evergreen Plaza Shopping Mall, to a standalone 10,000 square foot Museum located in the 8th Ward on the southside of Chicago, Illinois, at 93rd and Stony Island Avenue; and

WHEREAS, The Bronzeville Children's Museum has served its community, City of Chicago residents and visitors by educating children and their families about the rich culture, contributions and history of African Americans and the African Diaspora through hands-on learning activities, interactive exhibitions and unique programs.

THEREFORE, Be It resolved, That the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, do hereby recognize Peggy A Montes and the Bronzeville Children's Museum on their 25 Anniversary for their service and contributions to the education and lives of children and adults of the City of Chicago; and

Be It Further Resolved That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Mrs. Peggy Montes.



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