

Honoring the Life of Officer Troy Lee Yates, Jr.

WHEREAS, This august Chicago City Council body has been informed of Mr. Darius Sanders and his outstanding achievements by the Honorable Michelle A. Harris, Alderman of the 8th Ward; and

Whereas, Officer Troy Lee Yates, Jr. will celebrate his 90th Birthday on October 4, 2023 and

Whereas, Officer Troy Lee Yates, Jr. was born in Chicago in 1933 and was raised in the Ida B. Wells housing projects; and

Whereas, He graduated from Doolittle Elementary and Wendell Phillips High School in 1951. He attended Wilson Jr. College where he received a football scholarship to Bradley University; and

Whereas, He was drafted into the Korean War in 1954 where he served overseas; and

Whereas, In 1961 Officer Yates began his career with the Chicago Police Department and retired April 8, 1992; and

Whereas, He received numerous accommodations, and his proudest accommodation came as a result of saving a family from a burning building in South Chicago in 1976; and

Whereas, He lived and served in the 8th Ward for over 40 years.

Whereas, He has been married to his current wife April Darling Yates for 41 years; and

Whereas, He has 14 children, 16 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren; and

Whereas, Officer Yates has been a member of Third Baptist Church of Chicago for over 56 years serving in the choir and on the deacon and trustee boards; and

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved, That the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, do hereby express our congratulations and best wishes; and

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Police Officer Troy Lee Yates, Jr.



Michelle A. Harris
Alderman, 8th Ward