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Regular Meeting -- Wednesday, October 11, 2023

at 12:00 P.M.

(Council Chamber -- City Hall -- Chicago, Illinois)

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**OFFICIAL RECORD.**

**BRANDON JOHNSON**  
Mayor

**ANDREA M. VALENCIA**  
City Clerk

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**Attendance At Meeting.**

*Present* -- The Honorable Brandon Johnson, Mayor, and Alderpersons La Spata, Hopkins, Dowell, Robinson, Yancy, Hall, Mitchell, Harris, Beale, Chico, Lee, Ramirez, Quinn, Gutiérrez, Lopez, Coleman, Moore, Curtis, O'Shea, Taylor, Mosley, Rodríguez, Tabares, Scott, Sigcho-Lopez, Fuentes, Burnett, Ervin, Taliaferro, Cruz, Cardona, Waguespack, Rodríguez-Sánchez, Conway, Ramirez-Rosa, Villegas, Mitts, Sposato, Nugent, Vasquez, Napolitano, Reilly, Knudsen, Lawson, Gardiner, Clay, Martin, Manaa-Hoppenworth, Hadden, Silverstein.

*Absent* -- None.

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**Call To Order.**

On Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 1:21 P.M. (the hour appointed for the meeting was 12:00 P.M.) the Honorable Brandon Johnson, Mayor, called the City Council to order. The Honorable Andrea M. Valencia, City Clerk, called the roll of members and it was found that there were present at that time: Alderpersons La Spata, Hopkins, Dowell, Robinson, Yancy, Hall, Mitchell, Harris, Beale, Chico, Lee, Ramirez, Quinn, Lopez, Coleman, Moore, Curtis, O'Shea, Taylor, Scott, Sigcho-Lopez, Fuentes, Burnett, Ervin, Taliaferro, Cruz, Cardona, Waguespack, Rodríguez-Sánchez, Conway, Ramirez-Rosa, Villegas, Mitts, Sposato, Nugent, Vasquez, Napolitano, Reilly, Knudsen, Lawson, Gardiner, Clay, Martin, Manaa-Hoppenworth, Hadden, Silverstein -- 46.

Quorum present.

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**Pledge Of Allegiance.**

Mayor Brandon Johnson led the City Council and assembled guests in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**Invocation.**

Reverend George W. Daniels, pastor of First Baptist Congregational Church of Chicago, opened the meeting with prayer.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT.**

In accordance with the City Council's Rules of Order and Procedure, the following members of the general public addressed the City Council:

Lebi Mastafsky

Daniel Goodwin

Yinam Cohen

Jinan Chehade

LaKisha Latham

Nashwa Bawab

Rifqa Falaneh

Buthaina Hattab

Lina Issa

In accordance with the City Council's Rules of Order and Procedure, the following members of the general public submitted written comments to the City Council:

John Paul Jones

Sarah Layden

Brette Parker Crofton

Joy Bunton

Nourah Nabulsi

Eman Abdelhadi

In accordance with the City Council's Rules of Order and Procedure, the following member of the general public registered to address the City Council but did not testify:

Leonard Matanky

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***REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS.***

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**City Council Informed As To Miscellaneous  
Documents Filed In City Clerk's Office.**

The Honorable Andrea M. Valencia, City Clerk, informed the City Council that documents have been filed in her office relating to the respective subjects designated as follows:

*Referred -- CLAIMS AGAINST CITY OF CHICAGO.*

Claims against the City of Chicago, which were *Referred to the Committee on Finance*, filed by the following:

Akintade, Victoria A.	[CL2023-0005161]
Buckner, Muriel	[CL2023-0005145]
Kendall, Linda K.	[CL2023-0005150]
Miller, Lance	[CL2023-0005156]
Norris, Brandon	[CL2023-0005154]

## ***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.***

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### **COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES AND RULES.**

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#### ***Action Deferred -- REPORT OF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDING RE-REFERRAL OF VARIOUS MATTERS.***

The Committee on Committees and Rules submitted the following report which was, at the request of Alderperson Beale and Alderperson Lopez, *Deferred* and ordered published:

CHICAGO, October 11, 2023.

*To the President and Members of the City Council:*

Your Committee on Committees and Rules, which met October 11, 2023, considered all the following report, ordinances, resolutions and appointments:

The approval of the September 2023 Monthly Rule 45 Report for the Committee on Committees and Rules.

Your Committee on Committees and Rules recommends "do pass" of the following items:

Recommendation to refer proposed items 1 -- 7 to the Committee on Finance:

1. (O2023-0005047) Ordinance authorizing the issuance of financial assistance for the Austin United Alliance project (37 and 29).
2. (O2023-0005046) Ordinance authorizing the execution of an ownership transfer agreement regarding the Darul Amaan Senior Apartments (4814 -- 4858 North Kedzie Avenue) (33).
3. (O2023-0004944) Ordinance authorizing the execution of an amended TIF redevelopment agreement with Celadon Construction Corporation NFP, et al. (20).
4. (O2023-0005096; O2023-0005097; O2023-0005098; O2023-0005099; O2023-0005100) Ordinances authorizing amendments to the 24<sup>th</sup>/Michigan, 111<sup>th</sup>/Kedzie, Clark/Montrose, Galewood/Armitage and Woodlawn TIF districts providing for extensions and budget increases (3, 4, 5, 11, 19, 20, 29, 37, 36).

5. (O2023-0005057) Ordinance authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement with the Chicago Board of Education to provide TIF funds for improvement at Roberto Clemente High School (1).
6. (O2023-0005062) Ordinance authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement with the Chicago Board of Education to provide TIF funds for improvements at Von Steuben High School (39).
7. (O2023-0005066) Ordinance authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement with the Chicago Board of Education to provide TIF funds for improvements at Irvin C. Mollison Elementary School (3).

Recommendation to refer proposed item 9 to the Committee on Aviation:

9. (O2023-0004942) Ordinance authorizing execution of an amended license agreement with Chicago Concourse Development Group LLC (41/13).

Recommendation to refer proposed items 10 and 11 to the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations:

10. (O2023-0004943) 925 Budget amendment.

Recommendation to refer proposed items 8 and 12 – 21 to the Committee on Economic, Capital and Technology Development:

8. (O2023-0005095) Ordinance authorizing a Class 6(b) tax incentive for property located at 5740 North Tripp Avenue (Infinity Operations) (39).
12. (O2023-0005035) Ordinance authorizing 2024 budget and service agreement with 95<sup>th</sup> Street Beverly Hills Business Association for Special Service Area Number 4 (19).
13. (O2023-0005036) Ordinance authorizing 2024 budget and service agreement with Lincoln Park Chamber of Commerce for Special Service Area Number 23 (Clark Street) (43).
14. (O2023-0005037) Ordinance authorizing 2024 budget and service agreement with Little Village Chamber of Commerce for Special Service Area Number 25 (22, 24, 25).
15. (O2023-0005038) Ordinance authorizing 2024 budget and service agreement with East Edgewater Chamber of Commerce for Special Service Area Number 26 (48, 49).
16. (O2023-0005039) Ordinance authorizing 2024 budget and service agreement with Greater Ravenswood Chamber of Commerce and term boundary expansion for Special Service Area Number 31 (40, 46, 47).

17. (O2023-0005040) Ordinance authorizing an amended 2023 budget, service agreement and 2024 budget and service agreement with Lincoln Park Chamber of Commerce for Special Service Area Number 35-2015 (43).
18. (O2023-0005041) Ordinance authorizing an amended 2023 budget, service agreement and 2024 budget and service agreement with Northcenter Chamber of Commerce for Special Service Area Number 38 (23, 47).
19. (O2023-0005043) Ordinance authorizing an amended 2023 budget, service agreement and 2024 budget and service agreement with North River Commission for Special Service Area Number 60 (33).
20. (O2023-0005044) Ordinance authorizing 2024 budget and service agreement with Calumet Area Industrial Development Commission for Special Service Area Number 71 (9, 21).
21. (A2023-0004950; A2023-0004952; A2023-0004954; A2023-0004955; A2023-0004958; A2023-0004959; A2023-0004960; A2023-0004961) Various appointments to Special Service Area Numbers 16, 23, 25, 34 and 50.

Recommendation to refer proposed item 22 to the Committee on Environmental Protection and Energy:

22. (O2023-0004939) Ordinance amending the Municipal Code of Chicago regarding radiation monitoring to remove the Carnotite Moratorium Area (4).

Recommendation to refer proposed items 24 -- 27 to the Committee on Health and Human Relations:

24. (A2023-0005022; A2023-0005024; A2023-0005025; A2023-0005026; A2023-0005027; A2023-0005028; A2023-0005029; A2023-0005030; A2023-0005032; A2023-0005033; A2023-0005034) Various appointments to the Advisory Council on New Americans.
25. (A2023-0005011; A2023-0005013; A2023-0005014; A2023-0005015; A2023-0005016; A2023-0005017; A2023-0005018; A2023-0005019; A2023-0005020; A2023-0005021) Various appointments to the Advisory Council on Equity.
26. (A2023-0004985; A2023-0004986; A2023-0004987; A2023-0004988; A2023-0004989; A2023-0004990; A2023-0004991; A2023-0004992) Various appointments to the Advisory Council on LGBTQ+2.
27. (A2023-0005001; A2023-0005002; A2023-0005003; A2023-0005004; A2023-0005005; A2023-0005006; A2023-0005007; A2023-0005008; A2023-0005009; A2023-0005010) Various appointments to the Advisory Council on Veterans.



Recommendation to refer proposed items 29 -- 31 and 33 -- 36 to the Committee on Housing and Real Estate:

29. (O2023-0004940) Ordinance authorizing execution of a renewed lease agreement with the Board of Trustees of University of Illinois (1713 South Ashland Avenue) (25).
30. (O2023-0004941) Ordinance authorizing execution of a renewed lease agreement with the Board of Trustees of University of Illinois (845 West Wilson Avenue) (46).
31. (O2023-0005042) Ordinance authorizing the acquisition of property located at 11414 South Halsted Street.
33. (O2023-0005045) Ordinance authorizing deed sale of City-owned property located at 4301, 4309 and 4329 West Madison Street for Health and Wellness Center (28).
34. (O2023-0005101) Ordinance authorizing negotiated sale of City-owned property located at 5349 South Wabash Street to the Black Fire Brigade Organization (3).
35. (O2023-0005102) Ordinance authorizing execution of land acquisition agreement with the Chicago Park District (Robert Jackson Park at 4319 South Indiana Avenue) (3).
36. (O2023-0005103) Ordinance authorizing execution of a land disposition intergovernmental agreement with the Chicago Transit Authority for the Red Line Extension project (9, 10, 21).

Recommendation to refer proposed item 37 to the Committee on Public Safety:

37. (R2023-0002815) Call for Committee on Public Safety to hold hearing(s) on Chicago Police Department use of technology in policing.

Recommendation to refer proposed item 38 to the Committee on Transportation and Public Way:

38. (O2023-0005070) Ordinance authorizing the execution of infrastructure agreement for the LeClaire Courts redevelopment project (22).

This recommendation of each item was concurred in by the Committee on Committees and Rules.

Sincerely,

(Signed) MICHELLE A. HARRIS,  
*Chair.*

**AGREED CALENDAR.**

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On motion of Alderperson Harris, the proposed resolutions presented through the Agreed Calendar were *Adopted* by a viva voce vote.

Sponsored by the elected city officials named below, respectively, said Agreed Calendar resolutions, as adopted, read as follows (the italic heading in each case not being a part of the resolution):

*Presented By*

**ALDERPERSON LEE (11<sup>th</sup> Ward):**

**TRIBUTE TO LATE WALLY GUSICH.**

[R2023-0005012]

WHEREAS, I, Alderperson Nicole T. Lee, on behalf of the 11<sup>th</sup> Ward community, inform this august body with a heavy heart of the death of Wally "WZG" Gusich, senior citizen coordinator for the 11<sup>th</sup> Ward Aldermanic Office; and

WHEREAS, Wally Gusich passed away peacefully on September 17, 2023 at the age of 94, leaving behind an unmatched legacy of service deserving of commemoration and remembrance; and

WHEREAS, Walter Zvonimir Gusich was born on October 1, 1928 at 3509 South Wells Street, as one of six children to Andrew and Stephania Gusich, and throughout his life exemplified the utmost dedication to the betterment of Bridgeport, the City of Chicago and our country; and

WHEREAS, Wally Gusich was a devoted Catholic who unfailingly attended mass at St. Jerome's Parish every morning, and will always be remembered for ensuring the nave was left as pristine as it was found before leaving; and

WHEREAS, Wally Gusich enjoyed a colorful career, serving the City of Chicago and the country in multiple roles, including as a vendor at a Comiskey Park hot dog stand, a personnel clerk for the U.S. Army and Clerk of the Circuit Court; and

WHEREAS, Wally Gusich spent the majority of his career, and his life, serving the 11<sup>th</sup> Ward Aldermanic Office and its constituents with exemplary piety and always with a smile; and

WHEREAS, Wally Gusich began his tenure at the ward office as a secretary at the front desk, and in his last official act of service as senior city coordinator, took residence for over 30 years in the back-most corner of the office where he set the benchmark for providing service to seniors, earning their respect and adoration in kind; and

WHEREAS, Wally Gusich was celebrated with numerous awards: the induction into Mayor Richard M. Daley's Senior Citizen Hall of Fame; two-time winner of the Senior Citizen of the Year Award; and a five-time champion at the Annual Bridgeport Trivia Night as a member of "Team Biscotti"; there was a resolution passed by this very body in commemoration of his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday; and

WHEREAS, During his career, Wally Gusich married the love of his life, the late Grace, nee Jauregui, on May 19, 1953, and the couple was blessed with three children, Mark, Greg and the late Cindy; he later became the cherished grandfather of Theresa, Dana, Juliann, Gino, Mark and Taylor; and the adored great-grandfather of Giovanni, Lorenzo, Nica and Giada; and

WHEREAS, Those among us who came to know and love Wally Gusich will miss his presence, yet take peace that he joins Grace and Cindy in eternal rest, and aspire to enact the same dedication to constituents that Wally exemplified; now, therefore,

*Be It Resolved*, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, do hereby commemorate and celebrate the life and legacy of Wally "WZG" Gusich; and

*Be It Further Resolved*, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Gusich family as a gesture of our heartfelt appreciation for a true Chicago treasure.

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*Presented By*

**ALDERPERSON LOPEZ (15<sup>th</sup> Ward):**

**CELEBRATION OF ITALIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH.**

[R2023-0005111]

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago is a world-renowned melting point of cultural and ethnic diversity going back nearly two centuries, since its incorporation in March 1837; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Raymond Lopez, Alderperson of the 15<sup>th</sup> Ward and proud grandson of Italy, has recognized Italian American Heritage Month this October 2023 before this august body; and

WHEREAS, The Italian community has been an integral and vital part of the fabric in the Near North and Near West Sides of the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, The Italian community eventually expanded beyond their original enclaves throughout the city and into the surrounding suburbs, nearly a half-million-people strong, bringing with them their cultural richness, cuisine, faith and family devotion, and exceptional entrepreneurial spirit; now, therefore,

*Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Chicago*, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023, join together in celebration of the cultural richness of the Italian American community within the City of Chicago; and

*Be It Further Resolved by the City Council of the City of Chicago*, That the City of Chicago celebrates this month of October as Italian American Heritage Month with the greater Italian community of Chicagoland.

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*CELEBRATION OF POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH.*

[R2023-0005112]

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago is a world-renowned melting point of cultural and ethnic diversity going back nearly two centuries since its incorporation in March 1837; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Raymond Lopez, Alderperson of the 15<sup>th</sup> Ward and proud great-grandson of Poland, has recognized Polish American Heritage Month this October 2023 before this august body; and

WHEREAS, The Polish community, commonly known as Polonia, has been an integral and vital part of the fabric in the Near Northwest Side, South Side, Lower West Side and Far South Side of the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Polonia grew beyond their original patches, becoming embedded in every community across the city, bringing with them their cultural richness, culinary treats, faith and family devotion, and exceptional work ethic; and

WHEREAS, The Polish community across the City of Chicago proudly celebrates their heritage through many organizations throughout the city including the Polish American Congress, the Polish National Alliance, the Polish Museum of America, Polish Highlanders Alliance of North America, the Polish American Chamber of Commerce and many more; now, therefore,

*Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Chicago, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023, join together in celebration of the cultural richness of Polonia to the City of Chicago; and*

*Be It Further Resolved by the City Council of the City of Chicago, That the City of Chicago celebrates this month of October as Polish American Heritage Month with the greater Polish community of Chicagoland.*

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*Presented By*

***ALDERPERSON MOSLEY (21<sup>st</sup> Ward):***

***POSTHUMOUS RECOGNITION OF NOVEMBER 2 AS “P-LEE FRESH DAY” IN CHICAGO.***

[R2023-0005171]

WHEREAS, Chicago hip-hop pioneer P-Lee Fresh was born to Parker Lee Williams on All Souls’ Day on the date of November 2<sup>nd</sup>, on Manhattan’s Lower East Side, to a jazz vocalist and unhoused youth advocate, Flora Koppel, and renowned jazz drummer, Leroy “Jill” Williams; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee was named in part for Charlie Parker. P-Lee emerged from the womb with music as the center of his life, and as an infant, P-Lee Fresh emulated his father by hitting licks on the skins; and

WHEREAS, After his parents divorced and after two years of high school, P-Lee Fresh moved to Chicago at age 15 to get away from falling into trouble in New York City and so that his mother could be close to her people (Flora studied acting at the Goodman Theater and met Leroy in the early 1960s as a singer at the Wells Street Nightclub she worked at, with she and Leroy relocating to New York City in 1967); and

WHEREAS, P-Lee Fresh bounced around Chicago, first to Wicker Park, then to Uptown, then to Edgewater and finally to Rogers Park; and

WHEREAS, Likening it to his old stomping grounds on New York’s Lower East Side, P-Lee referred to Rogers Park as the “Upper Northeast Side”; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee completed his secondary education at St. Patrick’s High School, and he graduated from Columbia College in 1990; and

WHEREAS, After college, P-Lee Fresh accumulated so much overtime as a paid hourly intern with the *Oprah Winfrey Show* that Harpo Productions was compelled to put him on salary. He rapidly advanced from tape room assistant to assistant editor to music director for Harpo Productions; and

WHEREAS, While at Harpo, he composed new music to replace Oprah's original tinny elevator music-like theme music for her show, DJ'ed and selected music for the show until the final episode, bringing in new revenue for Harpo by creating the Harpo Sounds Library and earning Emmy nominations in 2006 and 2009 for his work; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee Fresh was also music supervisor for the *Rosie O'Donnell Show* and for Wanda Sykes' comedy special *Herlarious*; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee's production company with his partner, Dave Herrero, "Who's the Boss", handles licensing and custom music for commercials, video games, movies and television; and

WHEREAS, Who's the Boss produced 30 custom tracks for *The View* as P-Lee Fresh amassed IMDb, Independent Movie Database, credits; and

WHEREAS, In the early 1980s, P-Lee Fresh met his longtime friend and fellow New York City expat, Akbar Jamal, who had lived between the Big Apple and Los Angeles before settling in Chicagoland, where he lived over 20 years in the Gold Coast; and

WHEREAS, Akbar's father was also a jazz musician and lived on the same block as P-Lee's father in New York City; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee's relationship with Akbar was particularly unique since P-Lee grew up Jewish and Akbar grew up Muslim; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee Fresh and Akbar, in 1985, founded one of Chicago's first graffiti crews, TCP, The Crowd Pleasers; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee had earlier founded the X-MEN graffiti crew as an off-shoot of a legendary New York City crew; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee Fresh pioneered Chicago hip-hop radio and Chicago college hip-hop radio in 1983 with his Sunday evening *Streetbeat* show on Northwestern University's WNUR-FM (88.3), which continues to air; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee frequently traveled to New York City to visit his father and returned with the newest records before anyone else in Chicago could get their hands on them, with P-Lee sharing those records on his WNUR show; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee Fresh founded Chicago's first recurring hip-hop party at the short-lived STEPP Entertainment and Dance Club, 6459 North Sheridan Road, adjacent to the Loyola University campus; and

WHEREAS, The open mic there was a lyrical nursery for Akbar and the likes of such evolving MCs as Ang-13; and

WHEREAS, That P-Lee Fresh party was also the template for Jesse de la Pena's Monday Blue Groove Lounge parties during the 1990s at Elbo Room in the Wrightwood subdivision of Lakeview; and

WHEREAS, In 1987, P-Lee Fresh and Akbar founded the hip-hop music group Mental Giants, with P-Lee as producer/DJ and Akbar as MC; and

WHEREAS, Akbar at the time had enjoyed two appearances on albums by Boogie Down Productions; and

WHEREAS, Characterized by Akbar's rapid-fire delivery and P-Lee's smooth, jazzy beats, Mental Giants was likened to a Midwestern counterpart of the DJ Premier and Guru of Gangstarr; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee Fresh and Akbar settled on the nom de hip-hop Mental Giants to distinguish themselves from TCP, which to them reflected aging graffiti artists; and

WHEREAS, In the early 1990s, P-Lee Fresh began collaborating on his Jazz Child Records label with his New York City home folks, first with Jamal-Ski and then with Curtis Brown, better known as Grandmaster Caz; and

WHEREAS, That issued output included a 1996 split Mental Giants collaboration with Cold Crush Brothers; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee Fresh's annual Scorpio Rising bashes with fellow scorpio and Chicago hip-hop pioneer, Duro Wicks, at Red Dog in Wicker Park brought out as guests other famous scorpions such as Chicago hip-hop civic leader, educator and artist Amina Norman Hawkins, who co-founded Chicago Hip-Hop Heritage Month in July, with urban fine arts ombudsman and journalist Mark F. Armstrong; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee Fresh died at age 54 of a heart attack at Northwestern Memorial Hospital on December 2021. He was preceded in death by his father; and

WHEREAS, P-Lee is survived by his mother, Flora Koppel; sisters, Kim Jackson and Alexis; companion Stephanie Garland and her son Jeronimo; a tribe of colleagues and followers; and was a cherished uncle to Leah, Maya and Dion; now, therefore,

*Be It Resolved*, That the Mayor and the members of the City of Chicago City Council, hereby, on Wednesday, October 11, 2023, eternally salute P-Lee Fresh's substantial contributions to evolving Chicago hip-hop by recognizing posthumously his birthday of November 2<sup>nd</sup> as "P-Lee Fresh Day"; and

*Be It Further Resolved*, That this resolution was prepared by 21<sup>st</sup> Ward Alderperson Ronnie L. Mosley.

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**CONGRATULATIONS EXTENDED TO CHICAGO URBAN FINE ARTS COMMONWEALTH AND NAPOLITAN URBAN FINE ARTS COMMONWEALTH ON COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS.**

[R2023-0005172]

WHEREAS, Chicago Urban Fine Arts Commonwealth NFP incorporated in 2016 a civic engagement, civic organizing and civic action corporation of Illinois and legacy of 20-year-old Chicago Hip-Hop Heritage Month in July that Marquis Who's Who In America-inducted CUFAC founder and lead ombudsman, Catdaddy/Mark F. Armstrong, wrote the draft resolution for; and

WHEREAS, On behalf of CUFAC, Cook County Commissioner, Dennis, sponsored the resolution that the Cook County Board of Commissioners adopted seven years ago establishing August as Cook County Urban Fine Arts Month; and

WHEREAS, CUFAC has thoroughly fulfilled its ambitions and mission of cultural, political and economic progress for Greater Chicagoland's urban fine arts constituencies; and

WHEREAS, Catdaddy forged an eternal friendship with Indianapolis' urban fine arts constituencies that began with his 1997 coverage of Nappy hip-hop as a correspondent for *The Source* magazine; and

WHEREAS, Catdaddy's most solid friendship in Indianapolis sits with DJ Topspeed/Alan Roberts; and

WHEREAS, Impressed by the growth of the Indianapolis urban fine arts constituencies since then, Catdaddy interceded on social media as peacemaker among toxically disputing parties over an August 11, 2023 National Hip-Hop Day proclamation of the Indianapolis City-Marion County Council engineered by DJ Long/Donte Moore and celebrating the history and legacy of Nappy DJ'ing; and

WHEREAS, In appreciation of Catdaddy's counsel of resolving said toxic dispute of persuading Indianapolis City-Marion County Council to adopt a resolution in November during National Hip-Hop History Day and Month celebrating all Greater Indianapolis' urban fine arts; and



WHEREAS, The nascent Napolitan Urban Fine Arts Commonwealth began supporting, during a Central Indiana B-kid dance battle, CUFAC's collaboration with Greater Chicagoland's first professionally juried hip-hop sporting held on October 21, at Camp Shabbona Woods, 15810 South Torrence Avenue, South Holland, Illinois, 60409; it included competitions in all five Hip-Hop Elements and a Quintathlon, and the silver-struck P-Lee Fresh Medals for athletes, as in hip-hop athletes achieving the highest composite/cumulative scores in each competitive category, by an Indianapolis delegation led by Topspeed and Long Green, all to join the program for the September 5 Cook County Urban Fine Arts Takeover celebration of thanksgiving at the Guinness-certified world's continually operating hip-hop open mic, 606 Chicago Hip-Hop at Sub-T Lounge/Subterranean in Wicker Park, featuring the Tyehimba Jess Medals award ceremonies for selfless, substantive, sustainable and substantial contributions to Greater Chicagoland's urban fine arts constituencies; and

WHEREAS, CUFAC and NUFAC have agreed to join forces toward achieving cultural, political and economic progress that the 2006 National Hip-Hop Political Convention in Chicago never could seal the deal on; and

WHEREAS, NUFAC is also collaborating with CUFAC on organizing the first National Hip-Hop History Month at 1:30 -- 3:00 P.M. Tuesday, November 7, 2023; panel discussions on hip-hop and power politics at University of Illinois at Chicago moderated by UIC Black studies professor and author, David O. Stovall, Ph.D.; and on the December 12, 2023 Prairiewood and Nappywood film industries mixer at 606 Chicago Open Mic in solidarity with the Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television and Radio Artists and Writers Guild of America; and

WHEREAS, CUFAC steadily continues to advise, consult, counsel and otherwise give aid, comfort and support to NUFAC on growing its urban fine arts scene in a most organized and sophisticated manner; now, therefore,

*Be It Resolved*, That the Mayor and members of City Council celebrate, on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 A.D., the marriage of civic actionism between the Chicago Urban Fine Arts Commonwealth NFP and Napolitan Urban Fine Arts Commonwealth that is the Illiana Union; and consults, advises and encourages the Indianapolis City-Marion County Council to take mutual action in this seventh year of Cook County Urban Fine Arts Month, 20<sup>th</sup> year of Chicago Hip-Hop Heritage Month and recognized 50<sup>th</sup> year of hip-hop in the year before the Republican National Convention in Milwaukee and Democratic National Convention in Chicago; and

*Be It Further Resolved*, That this resolution was prepared by 21<sup>st</sup> Ward Alderperson Ronnie L. Mosley.

**MATTERS PRESENTED BY THE ALDERPERSONS.**

***(Presented By Wards, In Order, Beginning  
With The 50<sup>th</sup> Ward)***

Arranged under the following subheadings:

1. Traffic Regulations, Traffic Signs and Traffic-Control Devices.
2. Zoning Ordinance Amendments.
3. Unclassified Matters (arranged in order according to ward numbers).

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***1. TRAFFIC REGULATIONS, TRAFFIC SIGNS  
AND TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES.***

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None.

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***2. ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS.***

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None.

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***3. UNCLASSIFIED MATTERS.***

***(Arranged In Order According To Ward Number)***

Proposed ordinances, orders and resolutions were presented by the alderpersons named below, respectively, and were acted upon by the City Council in each case in the manner noted, as follows:

Presented By

**ALDERPERSON HARRIS (8<sup>th</sup> Ward):**

*Referred -- TRANSFER OF YEAR 2023 FUNDS WITHIN CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES AND RULES.*

[O2023-0005120]

A proposed ordinance authorizing and directing the City Comptroller to transfer Year 2023 funds within the City Council Committee on Committees and Rules to meet the necessary obligations that have been or may be incurred during Year 2023, which was *Referred to the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations.*

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Presented By

**ALDERPERSON MOORE (17<sup>th</sup> Ward):**

*Referred -- CALL ON PRESIDENT OF LAKESHORE RECYCLING SYSTEMS TO TESTIFY BEFORE CITY COUNCIL ON WASTE DIVERSION RATES.*

[R2023-0005170]

A proposed resolution calling on the President of Lakeshore Recycling Systems to testify before the City Council on waste diversion rates and possible avenues for improvement, which was *Referred to the Committee on Environmental Protection and Energy.*

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Presented By

**ALDERPERSON VILLEGAS (36<sup>th</sup> Ward):**

*Referred -- CALL FOR HEARING ON CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT TROUBLED BUILDINGS UNIT REFERRALS TO DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.*

[R2023-0005142]

A proposed resolution calling on the Committees on Public Safety and Zoning, Landmarks and Building Standards to hold a joint hearing regarding police department referrals to the

Department of Buildings, including investigations or inspections initiated by the Strategic Task Force and data regarding locations of said referred buildings, which was *Referred to a Joint Committee comprised of the members of the Committee on Public Safety and the Committee on the Zoning, Landmarks and Building Standards.*

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Presented By

**ALDERPERSON VASQUEZ (40<sup>th</sup> Ward):**

*Referred --* EXEMPTION OF OPTIMAL PERFORMANCE/STEVEN GOLDSTEIN, AIA FROM PHYSICAL BARRIER REQUIREMENT PERTAINING TO ALLEY ACCESSIBILITY FOR PARKING FACILITIES.

[O2023-0004742]

A proposed ordinance to exempt Steven Goldstein, AIA, doing business as Optimal Performance Architecture, from the physical barrier requirement pertaining to alley accessibility for the parking facilities for 2220 West Morse Avenue, pursuant to the provisions of Title 10, Chapter 20, Section 430 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, which was *Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Way.*

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***APPROVAL OF JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.***

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None.

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***UNFINISHED BUSINESS.***

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None.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.**

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**Time Fixed For Next Succeeding Regular Meeting.**

[O2023-0005186]

By unanimous consent, Alderperson Mitchell presented a proposed ordinance which reads as follows:

*Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Chicago:*

SECTION 1. That the next regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Chicago shall be held on Monday, October 16, 2023, beginning at 9:45 A.M., in the Council Chamber on the second floor in City Hall, 121 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

On motion of Alderperson Mitchell, the foregoing proposed ordinance was *Passed* by a viva voce vote.

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At this point in the proceedings, Alderman Hopkins raised a Point of Order and moved that public comments at the October 13, 2023 Special Meeting be limited to virtual testimony only and that the City Council Chamber gallery be closed to the public for the duration of the meeting.

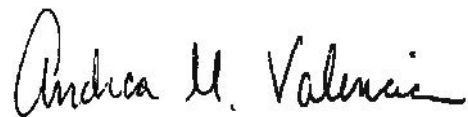
The Chair ruled that because of the need to comply with the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the motion was Out of Order.

Alderperson Sposato expressed his support for the previous motion by Alderperson Hopkins citing safety concerns and asked the Chair to reconsider its decision.

The Chair then reiterated its previous decision that because of the need to comply with the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the motion was Out of Order.

**Adjournment.**

Thereupon, Alderperson Mitchell moved that the City Council do *Adjourn*. The motion *Prevailed* and the City Council *Stood Adjourned* to meet in regular meeting on Monday, October 16, 2023, at 9:45 A.M., in the Council Chamber in City Hall.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Andrea M. Valencia". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

ANDREA M. VALENCIA,  
City Clerk.