

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Building Commission of Chicago were saddened to learn of the death of their beloved and esteemed former Commissioner, Presiding Elder Albert D. Tyson III on June 21, 2019; and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2015, he was appointed by the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the City Council, as a statutorily-mandated representative of the City of Chicago of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Building Commission of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2015, he was sworn in as a Commissioner of the Public Building Commission and was appointed as a member of the Administrative Operations Committee where he provided leadership to the Commission staff in his role on the Committee and served with distinction until June 2016; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Tyson served as the Presiding Elder of the North District of the Chicago Annual Conference in the 4th Episcopal District and on the Chicago Plan Commission. He was elected in 2018 as the President of the Connectional Presiding Elders' Council of the AME Church. He also represented the AME Church in a variety of capacities, including the Pan-Methodist Commission and the World Methodist Council; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Tyson has served the parishioners of Saint Stephen African Methodist Episcopal Church in Chicago. He served as Assistant Minister at the Pisgah AME Church in New Jersey; as Assistant Minister at the Ebenezer AME Church and as Pastor of the Saint James AME Church, both in Evanston; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Tyson's civic and community engagement had deep roots in Chicago. He served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the City Colleges of Chicago; the Community Advisory Council of the Urban Health Program of the University of Illinois at Chicago; the Chicago Branch Treasurer for the Congress of National Black Churches; the Chairman of the Seventh Congressional District Clergy; Chicago Branch Chairman of the Minister's Division of the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition; and a member of the Operation PUSH Board of Directors. He served on the boards of the Community Task Force at Malcolm X College, the Westside Health Authority, Henry Homer Boys & Girls Club, Bobby E. Wright Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center, the Women's Treatment Center, Chicago Theological Seminary, Interfaith Organizing Project, and the Near Westside Community Development Corporation, and as a member of the NAACP and the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Tyson made invaluable contributions to the Commission in the implementation of its statutory mission of constructing public improvements, buildings and facilities on behalf of various public agencies including the City of Chicago, the Chicago Board of Education, City Colleges of Chicago and the Chicago Park District, among others; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Tyson will be fondly remembered for his dedication as a community and religious leader, devotion to his family and his church, loyalty, commitment to helping others, warmth and integrity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman and members of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Building Commission publicly note, with great sorrow and regret, the death of Presiding Elder Albert D. Tyson III, and extend our sincere condolences to his wife, Robin, his children, Albert IV and Annjeanette and his two grandchildren, and further express our gratitude for his devoted service to the Commission; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Executive Director Carina E. Sánchez of the Public Building Commission is hereby authorized and directed to present this Resolution to his family.

CARINA E. SÁNCHEZ, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

JULY 16, 2019

