A resolution adopted by The City Council of the City of Chicago, Illinois

Presented by ALDERMAN MARGARET LAURINO on MAY 8, 2013

WHEREAS, the Actor's Equity Association is celebrating its 100th year as a nationally recognized Union that represents professional stage actors and stage managers – nearly 2,000 of whom live and work in Chicago and the State of Illinois, and

WHEREAS, The City Council has been informed of this anniversary by Alderman Margaret Laurino, 39th Ward; and

WHEREAS, the Actors' Equity Association is the symbol of excellence in the American Theater and its members have inspired generations of audiences,

WHEREAS, Actors' Equity Association has been a catalyst for a richly diverse and rewarding theatrical community in Chicago, with more than 75 theaters that use Equity contracts and employ Equity members, and

WHEREAS, the Actors' Equity Association has, since the formation of the Union in 1913, believed in diversity, dignity and inclusion onstage, backstage and in the audience, and

WHEREAS, the Actors' Equity Association has been, throughout its history, a leader for social change and was among the first to stand up against segregation and denounce blacklisting, and

WHEREAS, the Actors' Equity Association plays an important role in gaining public funding for the arts, and is a supporter of the Chicago Cultural Plan; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this eighth day of May, 2013, do hereby congratulate the Actors' Equity Association on their one hundredth anniversary and extend our best wishes for continued success and achievement; and

Be it Further Resolved, a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the representatives of the Actors' Equity Association.

Margaret Laurino
Alderman, 39th Ward