A resolution

adopted by The City Council

of the City of Chicago, Illinois

Presented by ALDERMAN MARY ANN SMITH on JULY 28, 2010

Whereas, Steven Solomon, an outstanding pianist from the North Side neighborhood of Edgewater, will have one of the greatest honors, which many musicians only dream of having: a debut at Carnegie Hall in New York City; and

WHEREAS, On Sunday, May 30, 2010, twenty year old Steven Solomon was a featured soloist of Western Illinois University's Jazz Studio Orchestra in a Carnegie Hall Ensemble Spotlight Series concert. Steven and the orchestra were specially invited to accompany three world-famous musicians from Italy: clarinetist Bepi Damato, guitarist Mauro De Federiciis and conductor and composer Marco Renzi; and

WHEREAS, Since the age of 10, Steven Solomon has played the piano in more than 300 paid professional performances and countless other pro bono events. He has played twice monthly at Leona's Restaurant in the Rogers Park community from the ages of 11 to 17; and

WHEREAS, In April of 2008, Steven Solomon was awarded a full four-year Trustee Scholarship at Western Illinois University. He also received a four year School of Music Talent Grant Award and the Ann Collins Jazz Piano Scholarship. Now in his junior year at the university's Honor's College and School of Music, he is majoring in Music Education; and

WHEREAS, Steven Solomon has had much success in a short time span. His talent and love for his profession has brought him a long way. At a young age, Steven Solomon has accomplished a lot and has already achieved the success that most musicians have ever had; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Mary Ann Smith, Alderman of the 48th Ward, has apprised this august body of this auspicious occasion and the significant honors accrued by Steven Solomon; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the City of Chicago City Council, gathered together this twenty-eighth day of July, 2010 A.D., do hereby salute the success of Steven Solomon upon his debut at Carnegie Hall and his success as a musician as well as wish him every success in all future endeavors he may wish to undertake; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution and presented to Steven Solomon.

[Signatures]

MAYOR

CITY CLERK