

RESOLUTION R-17-2009

**ST. PAUL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
CELEBRATES 125TH ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in the Village of Glencoe in 1884, making it one of the oldest organized religious institutions in the Village; and

WHEREAS, the lineage of the Church's 18 founding families extends to today's residents, and the history of the Village illustrates that these members and their families, as well as other members, have provided the community with civic, philanthropic and religious leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Church has built, remodeled and expanded its house of worship several times in the last 125 years to meet the needs of its congregation; and

WHEREAS, St. Paul AME Church is committed to providing an inspirational and rewarding religious experience for all people, to providing a sense of connection and stability for all people by service to the community, and to serving as a wellspring of African American history, traditions, heritage and culture; and

WHEREAS, St. Paul AME Church has been an active participant with other churches and congregations in the community in sponsoring the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service for all Glencoe residents; and

WHEREAS, in July 2009, St. Paul AME Church in Glencoe, Illinois, celebrated its 125th anniversary, with generations of St. Paul members returning from around the country for the three-day anniversary celebrations that brought together families joined by membership and support of a significant historical institution in the Village of Glencoe.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Glencoe, Illinois, join in expressing, on behalf of all the citizens of the Village of Glencoe, their congratulations on that anniversary and their acknowledgment and appreciation to St. Paul AME Church for its contributions to the enhancement and enrichment of Glencoe's religious, cultural and civic history.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this proceeding, and that an executed copy of this Resolution, inscribed with the signature of the Village President, and bearing the Corporate Seal of the Village of Glencoe, as attested by the Village Clerk, be presented to the St. Paul AME Church of Glencoe.

Dated this 20th day of August A.D., 2009, at the Village of Glencoe, Cook County, Illinois.

/s/ Scott M. Feldman
Village President

/s/ Paul M. Harlow
Village Clerk