

**THE RETIREMENT BOARD
of the
FIREMEN'S ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND
OF CHICAGO**



A RESOLUTION HONORING ANTHONY R. MARTIN

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT WHEREAS, Anthony R. “Tony” Martin, son of a Chicago Police officer, member of a family committed to public service, lifelong resident of Chicago and proud alumni of Brother Rice high school and St. Xavier University, entered the Chicago Fire Department on December 1, 1988, and

WHEREAS Tony while distinguishing himself as a member of Engine 126 and Truck 49 ultimately advanced through the ranks of Firefighter, Fire Marshall, Lieutenant Training Instructor, Captain, to his current rank of Battalion Chief EMT; and

WHEREAS, having been selected by his peers to serve as a Steward and Secretary-Treasurer of the Chicago Firefighters Union, Local 2, he was then elected as an Active Firefighter Trustee to the Firemen’s Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago in December 2002; and

WHEREAS, Tony, as a Trustee of the Fund for twenty years, served faithfully and diligently in many capacities, including co -chairmanships of a variety of committees and as Fund Secretary; and

WHEREAS, in his role as Trustee and Secretary, Tony always represented and advanced the best interests of all Fund participants by innovating new policies and procedures, spearheading operational efficiencies, championing new technology adaptations, educating members at firehouses, in newsletters or at retiree functions; and

WHEREAS, Tony, throughout his tenure, dedicated his focus and efforts to safeguarding the Fund’s assets during a historically volatile economic period by maintaining a systematic, disciplined, rational process to attaining the best possible return on assets through investments in creatively opportunistic strategies while preserving the Fund’s financial integrity; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Tony was instrumental in helping to draft and pass legislation that provided increases to the minimum monthly annuities paid to our neediest members and widows, to ensure that they would always live in dignity without the fear of ever descending into poverty; and

WHEREAS, beyond his Trustee responsibilities, Tony's true passion was devoted to the oldest and neediest retired and widowed participants. His leadership and commitment over the years serving in capacities as President and Secretary of the Ende Menzer Walsh and Quinn Retirees, Widows and Children's Assistance Fund (EMWQ) was critical to its continued growth, development and success. Through Tony's vision and tireless undertakings, contributions into and payments made by the EMWQ Fund to its members in need and are at an all-time high; and

WHEREAS it is Tony's desire to finish his career as he started, out in the field, serving the citizens of Chicago alongside his brothers and sisters of the Chicago Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, on this day, November 20, 2024, the Trustees, staff and all active and annuitant members of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago express their genuine heart felt gratitude and appreciation to Tony Martin, knowing that all will miss Tony's leadership and laughter, his insights and initiative and his energy and efforts; and

NOW THEREFORE, in order that all may know of the esteem, honor and respect in which this Fund's Trustees, staff and participants hold Anthony R. "Tony" Martin, this resolution shall be entered into the permanent Fund record and that a copy of this resolution be suitably engraved and presented to him as a small token of the admiration and affection we all have, and will always have, for him.



Daniel Fortuna, Fund President

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Anthony Martin, Secretary
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**A RESOLUTION BENEFITING THE ENDE, MENZER, WALSH, & QUINN,
RETIREES' WIDOWS' AND CHILDREN'S ASSISTANCE FUND**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED; That the Ende Menzer Walsh & Quinn Retirees' Widows' and Children's Assistance Fund has been established for the purpose of providing assistance to the neediest retirees, widows and orphans of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago,

WHEREAS the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") has granted tax exempt 501(c)(3) status to the Ende Menzer Walsh & Quinn Retirees' Widows' and Children's Assistance Fund,

WHEREAS the directors of the Ende Menzer Walsh & Quinn Retirees' Widows' and Children's Assistance Fund include current and former participants and members of the administration of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago and the Chicago Fire Department,

WHEREAS over many years the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago has made an annual distribution from the Fund to the Ende Menzer Walsh & Quinn Retirees' Widows' and Children's Assistance Fund for the benefit of the retired widows and orphans served by the Assistance Fund,

THEREFORE; Be it resolved that the Trustees of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago, utilizing the discretionary authority granted under ILCS 40: Act 5 Section 6-202, hereby direct that a distribution from the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund Gift Reserve Account be made from that account, for calendar year 2024, in the amount of \$148,477 to the Ende Menzer Walsh & Quinn Retirees' Widows' and Children's Assistance Fund as a contribution towards the Ende Menzer Walsh & Quinn Retirees' Widows' and Children's Assistance Fund's stated intention to distribute gift checks to the following categories of beneficiaries of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago in the stated amounts of: \$1,100 to 314 widows receiving \$1,882.50 or less per month, and \$1,100 to the 78 children annuitants, for a total distribution of \$431,200; and

FURTHER; Be it further resolved that the administrative staff of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago is hereby directed to provide such additional administrative assistance as is needed to accomplish the purposes of these resolutions and to facilitate the distribution by the Ende Menzer Walsh & Quinn Retirees' Widows' and Children's Assistance Fund of gift checks contemplated for December 2024 to the neediest retired, widowed and orphan beneficiaries of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago; and

FURTHER; Be it resolved that the distribution from the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund Gift Reserve Account is contingent upon the Ende Menzer Walsh & Quinn Retirees' Widows' and Children's Assistance Fund's agreement to distribute the aforementioned checks in the amounts indicated and provide the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago with adequate documentation supporting the distribution of the aforementioned gift checks by December 16, 2024 or such later date as the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago and the Ende Menzer Walsh & Quinn Retirees' Widows' and Children's Assistance Fund may mutually agree upon.

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