



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Chicago Chorale, a 60-voice ensemble of volunteer singers, takes as its guiding principle the concept of the amateur in the truest sense of the word: those who cultivate a craft out of genuine love and dedication; and

WHEREAS, Chicago Chorale performs repertoire from the sixteenth century to the present day, from well-loved choral works to overlooked masterpieces, always music that stimulates its singers and audiences, and always with a commitment to musical excellence; and

WHEREAS, led by Artistic Director Bruce Tammen, the members of the Chicago Chorale, hailing from various backgrounds and professions, take pride in continuing the tradition of great amateur choral institutions of the past; and

WHEREAS, through sensitive and thought-provoking performances, Chicago Chorale seeks to expand the musical appreciation of its audiences as well as serve as an example of the highest choral ideals; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Chicago Chorale's 10th Anniversary Season, thirty-three members will depart on June 17, 2011, for a ten-day tour of Spain and France to perform a series of five concerts: Barcelona, June 19, 2011, at Basilica de Santa Maria d'Igualada; Carcassonne, June 21, 2011, Eglise d'Alzonne; Cahors, June 22, 2011, *La Chorale de Cahors*' Annual Concert; Cahors, June 24, 2011, Eglise Saint Pierre; and Paris, June 26, 2011, Eglise de la Madaleine; and

WHEREAS, the repertoire will consist of a cappella favorites with emphases on American music and motets that will resound in the reverberant acoustics of the ancient stone buildings in which the Chicago Chorale will sing:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RAHM EMANUEL, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, do hereby proclaim 2011 to be the 10th ANNIVERSARY OF CHICAGO CHORALE, and join all Chicagoans in celebrating this special milestone and Chicago Chorale's many contributions to the cultural enrichment and vitality of Chicago.

Dated this 8th day of June, 2011.

Mayor