

15-R-19

A RESOLUTION

**Designating that Portion of Church Street
Between Hartrey Avenue and Grey Avenue with the
Honorary Street Name Sign, "Tina Lifford Way"**

WHEREAS, Tina Lifford is an African American actress who has appeared, starred or co-starred in over one hundred movies and television shows, over twenty theatrical plays, wrote and performed the play, *The Circle*, and is the author of *The Little Book of Big Lies and Truths that Set You Free*; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lifford was born in Evanston and lived at 2129 Church Street from 1954-1964; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lifford attended Foster School in Evanston where she was first introduced to Stage Theater and discovered her love for acting. Ms. Lifford performed in school productions throughout her schooling, attending Washington Elementary School and Chute Middle School; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lifford returned to Evanston in 2013 for a limited run of her original play *The Circle*, which was performed at her childhood school auditorium at the former Foster School; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lifford currently co-stars in the television drama, *Queen Sugar*, produced by filmmaker Ava DuVernay and Oprah Winfrey; and

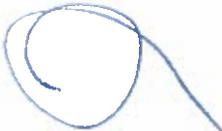
WHEREAS, Ms. Lifford's business efforts focus on wellness, improving the human spirit and encouraging female youth to pursue their dreams under the name The Inner Fitness Project,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:

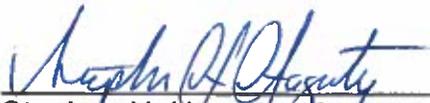
SECTION 1: The foregoing recitals are hereby found as fact and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2: On behalf of the entire citizenry of the City of Evanston, the City Council hereby expresses appreciation for Tina Lifford by designating that portion of Church Street between Hartrey Avenue and Grey Avenue "Tina Lifford Way."

SECTION 3: This Resolution 15-R-19 will be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

Attest: 

Devon Reid, City Clerk



Stephen H. Hagerty, Mayor

Approved as to form:


Michelle L. Masoncup, Corporation Counsel

Adopted: March 11, 2019