

**DOCUMENT 49 – PETITION FROM THE SCANDINAVIAN EMIGRANT
ASSOCIATION**

January 12, 1870

TRANSCRIPTION

Chicago, Januar 12 1870

To
The Honorable Major ^{and} ~~of the City~~
Common Council
of Chicago.~

I allow me hereby to beg you, if you
will be kind and allow us to get
a free License, to keep above named
Emigrant Office. Here in Chicago
are now a great Employments Offices
which in any manner are swindling
the poor and helpless Emigrants.—
Therefore I have appointed an Agent,
who has to help and assist the Emmigrants
in keeping those swindling Agents out
from them, and procure Employment,
and finding Homes for them.—

Our means is very small, and what
we have got of money, ~~we~~ have to

keep that for the use of the
Emmigrants. —Until you can
decide this case for us, I hope you
will be kind and allow us to
keep the Office without taking
any License out. Expecting your
worship in this matter will please

help us to get above named

License

I remain

Your most obedient Servant

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President