

DOCUMENT 28 – RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR DISABLED POLICEMEN

May 10, 1886

TRANSCRIPTION

Whereas in the defense of peace and good order. several members of the Police force have met with Death and a large number have received greivous wounds. which may render them incapable of supporting themselves and their families, and

Whereas it is one of the highest duties of Nations and Municipalities to reward and take care of those who so suffer in the support of the public welfare, and Whereas the Charter of our City does not permit of making appropriations either for rewards or for giving pensions.

Therefore, Resolved that the City Council of the City of Chicago hereby requests the Mayor and advise all future Mayors to employ all Officers of the Police Department. who were on the 4th day of May 1886 so maimed, as to render them incapable of performing police duty. in such positions. as they can fill. and that we pledge ourselves and all future Councils as far as we can. to appropriate for the pay of those so employed a sufficient sum to make the annual pay equal to that of able bodied Policemen.