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## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT - FIRST DISTRICT

CITY OF CHICAGO, a municipal corporation,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	No. 06 M1 450752
	)	
v.	)	Re: 4520 W. Van Buren Street
	)	
TISHIEKA HOLLINGSWORTH	)	
UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-	)	
RECORD CLAIMANTS, et al.,	)	Courtroom: 1111
	)	
Defendants.	)	

### ORDER OF DEMOLITION

This cause coming on to be heard on November 17, 2009, on the counter-complaint filed by the counter-plaintiff, City of Chicago, a municipal corporation ("City"), seeking demolition authorization and other relief, by Mara S. Georges, Corporation Counsel of the City of Chicago, against the following named counter-defendants:

TISHIEKA HOLLINGSWORTH  
UNKNOWN OWNERS  
NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

The Court being fully advised of the premises of this proceeding, having heard both the testimonial and physical evidence presented at hearing, finds that:

1. The Court has jurisdiction of the subject matter, which is the premises located at the following address: 4520 W. Van Buren Street, Chicago, Illinois, and legally described as follows:

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LOT 24 IN BLOCK 4 IN COUNSELMAN'S SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH ½ OF THE SOUTHEAST ¼ OF THE NORTHEAST ¼ OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 39 NORTH, RANGE 13, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN (EXCEPT THE WEST 33 FEET THEREOF), IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

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2. Located on the subject property is a two-story brick residential building.
3. The Court having heard testimony and evidence finds that the building located on the subject property is dangerous, hazardous, unsafe and beyond reasonable repair under the Unsafe Buildings Statute, 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1 (2004) in that:
  - a. The building has been continually vacant and periodically accessible.
  - b. The electrical systems are stripped or inoperable.
  - c. The plumbing systems are stripped or inoperable.
  - d. The heating systems are stripped or inoperable.
  - e. There is broken and loose plaster in the walls and ceilings.
  - f. The interior flooring is damaged and incomplete.
  - g. The support joists are over-notched, thereby causing structural instability and danger of collapse.

**WHEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

- A. The counter-plaintiff City of Chicago is authorized to immediately demolish the building located on the subject property.
- B. Judgment is entered in favor of counter-plaintiff City of Chicago and against counter-defendants on Counts I and IV of its original counter-complaint. Counts II, III and V are voluntarily withdrawn.
- C. Pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1 and the City's police powers under Article VII of the Illinois Constitution, and Section 13-12-130 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, the City is authorized to immediately demolish the building situated on the subject property on an emergency basis and is entitled to a lien for the costs of demolition, court costs and other costs enumerated by statute.
- D. Counter-defendants shall immediately remove any and all persons occupying the subject property and all personal property from said premises instantler so that said premises will be completely vacant and free of personal property before demolition is commenced. The City's Department of Human Services is authorized to assist in the relocation of any tenants.

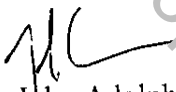
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E. Pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Rule 304(a), this is a final and appealable order and judgment, the Court finding no just reason to delay the enforcement or appeal of this final order and judgment.

ENTERED: **Assoc. Judge WILLIAM G. PILEGGI**

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