ORDINANCE NO. 98-15

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
ACQUISITION OF AIR RIGHTS
OF REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT
4337 SOUTH PRAIRIE AVENUE,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FOR
CONSTRUCTION OF NEW STATION
PLATFORMS FOR THE 43RD STREET
RAPID TRANSIT STATION

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority ("Authority") is currently completing the construction and renovation of certain stations along the Green Line route; and

WHEREAS, The 43rd Street rapid transit station is located on the north side of East 43rd Street, between South Prairie Avenue and South Calumet Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The new station platforms will extend across East 43rd Street and must be widened to meet operating guidelines; and

WHEREAS, The Authority's right-of-way at this location is too narrow to accommodate the station platform widening project; and

WHEREAS, Engineering staff has recommended that the Authority acquire air rights over seven parcels of property located on the west side of the Green Line right-of-way to accommodate the extension of the platforms; and

WHEREAS, Staff has identified the parcel of property, with the respective owner as 4337 South Prairie Avenue, owned by Janice Henry; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends that air rights with approximate dimensions of seven feet by twenty five feet, as legally described on Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, both of which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, be acquired across the property hereinabove identified; and

WHEREAS, Staff has negotiated with the respective owner for the conveyance of fee simple interest in the air rights to the Authority for the sum of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00); now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD OF CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

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SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board of the Chicago Transit Authority hereby approves the acquisition of the fee simple interest in air rights of real estate located at 4337 South Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, from Janice Henry, as legally described in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, both of which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, at a fee of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00)

SECTION 2. The Chairman of the Chicago Transit Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the conveyance of said air rights to the Chicago Transit Authority.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

Chairman

February 20, 1998

PASSED;

secretary

February 20, 1998