

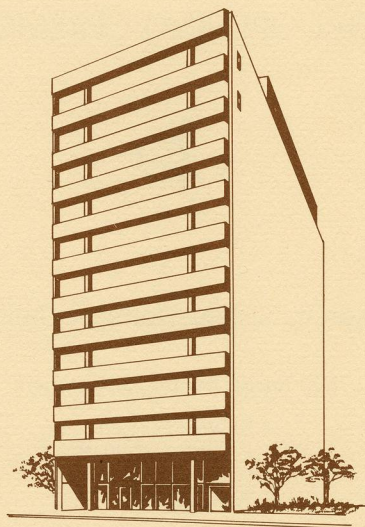
OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONIES



Johnson Publishing Company Building

820 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

May 16, 1972



PROGRAM

Invocation Reverend Kenneth B. Smith

Welcome Remarks . . . Master of Ceremonies
Lerone Bennett, Jr.

Remarks John H. Johnson

Remarks Mayor Richard J. Daley

Dedicatory Poem Gwendolyn Brooks

Ribbon-Cutting

Special poem by Gwen for the occasion

AN ARRIVAL

In honor of John H. Johnson, a Pioneer and a
Station. And to the Blacks who helped him
reach and range.

*A tribute to Ourselves. And to the will,
the precise will,
the full will
that manages Arrivals through the fire;
that manages revisions of the wave.*

*Beyond
the genuine crucifixions, and the sleep,
the steep
flint, the high
howl of the hurricane,
the wide
ice,
across our self-recovery and redress—
we look at one another.
And we love.*

Gwendolyn Brooks
May 12, 1972