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RESOLUTION
SALUTE TO ANTHONY A. KOPERA

WHEREAS, On February 9, 2012, a gala event in celebration of the lifetime achievements of Anthony A. Kopera, Ph.D took place at the Sofitel Chicago Water Tower Hotel on East Chestnut Street; and

WHEREAS, Friends and associates gathered that evening to honor Anthony A. Kopera, who is retiring after serving more than three decades as the head of Community Counseling Centers of Chicago. Honorary co-chairs of the this noteworthy occasion spearheaded by their board chair Joyce Dugan are State of Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan and 9th Congressional District United States Representative Jan Schakowsky; and

WHEREAS, After a decade serving as an Associate Professor of Psychology at Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago, Anthony A. Kopera spent a year as Acting Director of the Edgewater Uptown Community Mental Health Center. In 1981, he became its president and chief executive officer; and this agency changed its name to Community Counseling Centers of Chicago in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Anthony A. Kopera, Community Counseling Centers of Chicago (known as C4) expanded to a comprehensive community behavioral health care organization with 250 employees, 5 service centers, and a budget of close to \$17 million dollars a year; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Ameya Pawar, Alderman of the 47th Ward, has apprised this august body of Anthony A. Kopera's remarkable achievements and this significant milestone in his life; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor of Chicago and members of the City Council gathered together this 15th Day of February, 2012 AD, do hereby salute Anthony A. Kopera for his praiseworthy contributions in the field of community mental health and extend our very best wishes for his health, happiness and success in all he may wish to undertake in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and given to Anthony A. Kopera, Ph.D.


AMEYA PAWAR
Alderman – 47th Ward