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Congratulations extended to Scott Sierzega on winning

second place in 2A Division of Illinois High School

Association's State Wrestling finals

Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Scott Sierzega, a senior at Brother Rice High School, won second place while competing in the 220-pound weight division of the Illinois High School Association's State Wrestling Finals; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this event by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

WHEREAS, The event was held on February 18, 2017 at the State Farm Center at the University of Illinois in Champaign; and

WHEREAS, Scott Sierzega of Garfield Ridge is the son of Glenn Sierzega, a retired Deputy U.S. Marshal, and Denise Casey, a 9th District School Resource Officer; and

WHEREAS, Scott Sierzega dedicated his wrestling season to his late friend, fellow Brother Rice student Jacob Schmitz, who passed away from a rare form of leukemia in June of 2016; and

WHEREAS, Jacob Schmitz was the only child of retired Chicago Police Lieutenant Ellyn Weiss Schmitz and former Deputy Chief Leo Schmitz, who is now director of the Illinois State Police; and

WHEREAS, The inspiring story of the close friendship of Scott Sierzega and Jacob Schmitz, whom Scott called "the angel on my shoulder", was featured in a story in the Fraternal Order of Police's Chicago Lodge 7 publication and DNAinfo, an online publication; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Scott Sierzega serve as an example to all; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twenty-fourth day of May, 2017, do hereby congratulate Scott Sierzega on his second place finish in the 2A Division of the Illinois High School Association's State Wrestling Finals and do herby express our best wishes for his continued success; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Scott Sierzega.

derman – 14th Ward