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Recognition extended to Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

Seccional Cali

Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF PONTIFICIA UNIVERSIDAD JAVERIANA SECCIONAL CALI

WHEREAS, In 1623, the Society of Jesus founded the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana in Bogatá, Columbia, a private higher education institution that is of the oldest, most traditional, and prestigious universities in that South American nation; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, this university has been notable for its academic excellence and commitment to the sustainable development of the region, becoming a key player in transforming its social, economic, political, environmental, cultural and spiritual life through responsible management of its teaching, research and service resources; and

WHEREAS, On October 6, 1970 the university started a Public Accounting Program in the city of Cali. On November 20, 1978 the University Directing Council approved a full extension site there and named it Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Seccional Cali; and

WHEREAS, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Seccional Cali was the first private university in southwestern Colombia to obtain institutional accreditation by the Ministry of National Education of Colombia. This laudable institution is committed to the new young generation of the city, region and country. Since its creation, it has continued to strengthen the academic quality of their programs in order to provide better education alternatives, contributing to the training of people with humane and academic excellence, imbuing their students with high professional skills as well as a sense of social responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Seccional Cali has a social commitment to nurture a more just society by offering educational opportunities to the country's ethnic minorities, as well as outstanding students with limited financial resources; and

WHEREAS, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Seccional Cali has been recognized for its dedication to training ethical men and women who value and respect cultural diversity and have an environmental commitment to conservation and biodiversity; and

WHEREAS, Networking with Jesuit universities world-wide, the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Seccional Cali received international recognition due to its capacity for innovation and the dynamic training it offers young entrepreneurs as well as educating competent leaders for the country; and

WHEREAS, Father Jorge Humberto Peláez, S.J., President of Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Seccional Cali, is an extraordinary leader whose dedication and support has furthered the goal of providing alternatives for improving the living conditions for vulnerable communities throughout that region; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George Cardenas, Alderman of the 12th Ward, has apprised this august body of the seminal achievements of this venerable and noteworthy institution; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, gathered together this 3rd Day of October, 2012 AD, do hereby salute the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Seccional Cali for its praiseworthy contribution to their welfare and education of the citizens of their country and extend our heartfelt wishes for continuing success in carrying on its vital mission in beneficence to the nation of Columbia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the President of Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Seccional Cali, Father Jorge Humberto Peláez, S.J.

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