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Resolution

Declaration of September 16, 2016 as "Hope & Courage Day" in Chicago

Committee(s) Assignment:

WHEREAS, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago is the top ranked pediatric specialty hospital in Illinois and is ranked among the nation's best pediatric hospitals by U.S. News & World Report; and,

WHEREAS, Lurie Children's commitment to relentlessly pursuing healthier futures for every child is inspired by the courage of their patients and families and has sustained the Hospital's tradition of providing quality health care to children dating back to 1882; and,

WHEREAS, hospital employees chose 'Hope' and 'Courage' as the names for the construction cranes that built Lurie Children's world-class hospital located on the Northwestern Medical Campus in Chicago's Streeterville neighborhood; and,

WHEREAS, Lurie Children's will hold its Hope & Courage Awards Ceremony on Friday, September 16, 2016 to recognize the contributions of community members who have demonstrated an exceptional commitment to improving the health and well-being of children and families throughout our city and state; and,

WHEREAS, the 'Patient and Family Award' will be presented to Margaret Storey and her daughter Josie Heller for Ms. Storey's advocacy on public policies that affect families of children with complex medical conditions and disabilities, and for the inspiration Josie provides every day to her mother and so many others engaged in critical advocacy efforts; and,

WHEREAS, the 'Community Advocate Award' will be presented to Jacqueline Samuel, Ph.D., for dedicating her career to building stronger and healthier communities by creating paths to quality housing, healthcare, and education in Chicago, and for being a leading voice for violence prevention and trauma-informed care in Chicago; and,

WHEREAS, the 'Government Leader Award' will be presented to Illinois State Senator Kwame Raoul, who has displayed outstanding leadership on critical child health issues - including access to healthcare services and concussion prevention, served as a critical leader on the effort to abolish the death penalty in Illinois, and worked to help rebuild healthcare facilities in Haiti after the 2010 earthquake; and,

WHEREAS, these Award recipients embody the vision of Lurie Children's to ensure healthier futures for all children; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the Chicago City Council, assembled here on this 14th day of September, do hereby salute the Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago Hope & Courage Award recipients and declare September 16, 2016 to be "Hope & Courage Day" throughout Chicago; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to each Hope & Courage Award honoree and to Patrick M. Magoon, President and CEO of Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago.

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