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Resolution Honoring Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises
on its 40th Anniversary

WHEREAS, Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises, one of Chicago's most prolific restaurants organization will be celebrating its 40th anniversary on Friday, June 10, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Richard Melman, founder and chairman of the board of Lettuce Entertain You, has consistently sought and delivered enduring ahead-of-the-trend concepts to the restaurant industry; and

WHEREAS, In 1971 Melman opened his first establishment, R.J. Grunts in the Lincoln Park neighborhood, a restaurant that continues to exude the funky, free spirit lifestyle of the 70's in its style, décor, music, and menu; and

WHEREAS, The restaurants of Lettuce Entertain You are truly ubiquitous in Chicago, in addition to R.J. Grunts includes Wildfire, Mon Ami Gabi, Café Babareeba, Shaw's Crab House, Scoozi's and HUB 51; and

WHEREAS, With thousands of employees and countless alums, Lettuce Entertain You has provided a workplace and career home to Chicagoans for decades; and

WHEREAS, Today Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises is one of the most well-know privately held restaurant businesses in America, having opened more than 150 restaurants across the country and serving millions of patrons each year; and

WHEREAS, Rich Melman and his company will continue this commitment to Chicago well into the future by continuing to introduce even more innovative dining concepts as it enters the next 40 years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here the 4th day of May, 2011 do hereby congratulate Rich Melman, the Lettuce Entertain You family on the occasion of their 40th anniversary and declare Friday, June 10, 2011 "Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises Day" in the City of Chicago.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Rich Melman.

Ji Daley

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