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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Alvin Porrata has gone to his eternal reward at the age of fifty-three; and

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

WHEREAS, Alvin Porrata was a decorated member of the Chicago Police Department and the loving husband of Sonia; and

WHEREAS, Alvin Porrata was the much-adored father of Jeny, Alvin, Nora, Yanitza and Christopher and the grandfather of eight to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Born in 1959 to Rafael and Felicita, Alvin Porrata was raised in the Wrigleyville neighborhood and attended Lake View High School before earning his GED; and

WHEREAS, Prior to joining the Chicago Police Department, Alvin Porrata worked in a Chicago candy factory and lived for a while in Puerto Rico where he operated a pizzeria; and

WHEREAS, A highly distinguished twenty-year veteran of the Chicago Police Department, Alvin Porrata served for most of his career in the 18th Police District; and

WHEREAS, Alvin Porrata earned a reputation for both his devotion to duty and his compassion toward those he met during the course of his career; and

WHEREAS, In 2011 Alvin Porrata was decorated with the Police Blue Star Award after he was struck and seriously injured by a motorist who was attempting to elude police in the Weed Street entertainment district on the Near North Side; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his life, Alvin Porrata was a self-described "exercise machine" whose rigorous hours-long workouts included hundreds of push-ups, pull-ups and sit-ups; and

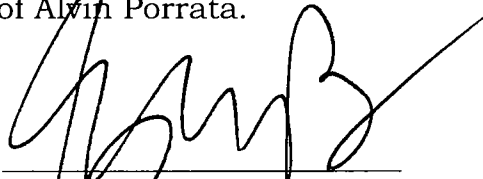
WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Alvin Porrata serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Alvin Porrata to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Alvin Porrata imparts a legacy of faithfulness, service and dignity; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this seventeenth day of January, 2013, do hereby commemorate Alvin Porrata for his grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to his family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Alvin Porrata.



Alderman - 14th Ward