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Sponsor(s): Burke (14)

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Title: Congratulations extended to The Gift of Adoption Fund on its contributions and declaration of November 1, 2016 as "Gift of Adoption Day" in Chicago

Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Gift of Adoption Fund, a national not-for-profit organization based in Chicago, will mark its 20th Anniversary in 2016 and participate in events recognizing November as *National Adoption Awareness Month*; and

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

WHEREAS, The Gift of Adoption Fund raises money to complete the adoptions of parentless children; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1996, the Gift of Adoption Fund awarded its first grant in 1997 and has assisted 1,825 children in finding a permanent and loving home; and

WHEREAS, The Gift of Adoption Fund prioritizes grants to assist children facing their last chance of adoption; and

WHEREAS, The Gift of Adoption Fund works passionately to unite children with families; and

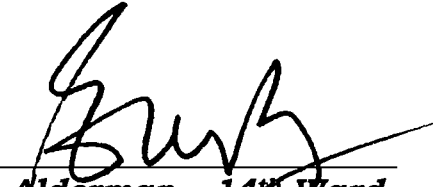
WHEREAS, During the month of November, the Gift of Adoption Fund will award a grant each day to complete an adoption of a child to 30 families across the country; and

WHEREAS, The Gift of Adoption Fund believes that having a caring home is a basic right owed children everywhere; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Gift of Adoption Fund, a largely volunteer-based organization, 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 fourteenth day of September, 2016, do hereby recognize the contributions of the Gift of Adoption Fund and do hereby declare that November 1, 2016 shall be officially recognized as *Gift of Adoption Day* throughout the City of Chicago; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Pam Devereux, Chief Executive Officer of the Gift of Adoption Fund.



Alderman - 14th Ward