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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF CHICAGO

LORI E. LIGHTFOOT  
MAYOR

April 19, 2023

TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith, together with the entire City Council, a resolution honoring Alderman Sadlowski Garza.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Lori E. Lightfoot". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.  
Mayor

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## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, The Members of this Chamber are proud and honored to congratulate our dear friend and colleague, Alderman Susan Sadlowski Garza, on her eight years of dedicated and outstanding service to the people of the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward, and the City of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Born in Chicago in 1959, Ms. Sadlowski Garza is a life-long Chicago resident; and

**WHEREAS**, Alderman Sadlowski Garza is the daughter of the famed Steelworker and Labor Leader Edward Sadlowski. She was raised in a proud union home with strong values of income equality, gender equality, racial harmony, and workers and environmental rights; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Sadlowski is the proud, dedicated and loving mother of 4 adorable children; and

**WHEREAS**, Alderman Sadlowski Garza attended Jane Addams Elementary School before graduating from George Washington High School; and

**WHEREAS**, Later in life Alderman Sadlowski Garza returned to school and graduated from Governors State University in 1996 with a bachelor of arts degree. She also earned a Master's degree in Counseling from Concordia University; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Sadlowski Garza then became a school counselor at Jane Addams Elementary School and joined the Chicago Teachers Union, where she eventually became an area Vice President; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Sadlowski Garza was elected to the Chicago City Council in 2015. She is the first ever active Chicago Teachers Union member to be elected to City Council and the first ever woman to represent the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward in the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, As a City Council member, Alderman Sadlowski Garza has fought vigorously for the rights of the working class and under-represented minorities. During her second term in office she was selected to be the chair of the Chicago City Council's Progressive Reform Caucus. Alderman Sadlowski Garza has worked tirelessly for an elected school board for the Chicago Public Schools, for cracking down on petroleum coke processing plants, and participatory budgeting and diversifying the ward's economy; and

**WHEREAS**, Alderman Sadlowski Garza served with great dedication as the Chair of the City Council Committee on Workforce Development, and as a member of the City Council Committees on the Budget and Government Operations, Committees and Rules, Education and Child Development, Ethics and Government Oversight, Finance, Health and Human Relations, and Special Events, Cultural Affairs, and Recreation; and

**WHEREAS**, The residents of the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward will miss Alderman Sadlowski Garza. She has been an inspiring leader of the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward and has championed the rights of the working class; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this nineteenth day of April 2023, do hereby extend to Alderman Susan Sadlowski Garza of the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward, our deepest gratitude and thanks for her many years of

exceptional service to the people of Chicago, and our best wishes for continued success in all of her future endeavors; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Alderman Susan Sadlowski Garza of the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward, as a token of our appreciation and esteem.