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Congratulations extended to Loyola University Chicago on

School of Environmental Sustainability

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ALDERMAN HARRY OSTERMAN 48TH WARD

RESOLUTION

PRESENTED BY AId. HARRY OSTERMAN AT CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 16, 2020

WHEREAS, The Loyola University Chicago Board of Trustees has approved the elevation of the Institute of Environmental Sustainability (IES) to the School of Environmental Sustainability (SES), creating Loyola University Chicago's 11th school under the leadership of Founding Dean Nancy C. Tuchman, PhD; and

WHEREAS, The School of Environmental Sustainability solidifies Loyola University Chicago's continued commitment to addressing the causes and impact of global climate change; and

WHEREAS, This makes Loyola University Chicago the first Jesuit University worldwide to launch a flagship School of Environmental Sustainability; and

WHEREAS, Loyola began its earnest commitment to this global problem in 2002 with major environmental sustainability renovations to the three Chicago campuses pledging all new buildings would be LEED certified; and

WHEREAS, Infrastructure renovations have lowered the University's environmental footprint by 50% and the University consistently ranks in the top 5% of most green campuses in the country; and

WHEREAS, In 2013 Loyola University Chicago launched the IES which marked another substantial invest in environmental sustainability and the Chicago community; and

WHEREAS, Loyola has chosen to invest in caring for our common home and the stability of our youth's future by making a pledge to be a carbon neutral university by 2025; and

WHÉREAS, the elevation to school status will further distinguish Loyola University Chicago's mission, as a University called as one to solve the urgent and complex issues of our time and further showcase Loyola's commitment to not only Chicago but the world;

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here on this sixteenth day of December 2020, do hereby offer our sincere congratulations to the Loyola University Chicago's School of Environmental Sustainability on its official school status; and do hereby express our best wishes for the School's continued success and achievements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Jo Ann Rooney, JD, LLM, EdD, President of Loyola University Chicago, Norberto Grzywacz, PhD, Provost and Chief Academic Officer, and Nancy Tuchman, PhD, Founding Dean, as a token of our esteem and good wishes.