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SALUTE TO JULIA A. LOPEZ

WHEREAS, On the 29th of February, 2012, Julia Lopez will be celebrating her retirement from Villa Guadalupe Senior Services after 14 years of dedicated service to the Chicago South Side community; and

WHEREAS, Julia Lopez attended Olive-Harvey College, Calumet College of St. Joseph and Chicago State University. Before working as a social service coordinator at Villa Guadalupe Senior Services, Julia Lopez held many other positions at several other organizations such as the Claretian Medical Center where she held the position of social service aide from 1979-1985. This position required her to interview patients for sliding scale eligibility. She also referred and directed patients to other community services. She was promoted to service coordinator from 1985-1990 working as a case manager for the developmentally disabled to identify a full range of client needs and develop plans to meet those needs; and


WHEREAS, After her employment at the Claretian Medical Center, she began to work at the El Valor Corporation as a respite coordinator from 1990 to 1992. In this position, she evaluated, monitored and supervised the performance of respite care providers. She became a family support coordinator from 1993 to 1998, working with developmentally disabled/dually diagnosed clients, their families and respite care providers. She was also in charge of crisis intervention, identifying and developing a plan to meet a patient's specific needs; and

WHEREAS, As a social service coordinator with her final employer, Villa Guadalupe Senior Services, she directed and implemented the social service and case programs of a 53 unit independent senior citizen building. She also helped link seniors and their families to the appropriate services, while at the same time maintaining an awareness of their special needs due to aging, personal care, and mental health issues. This position also required her to write and present oral reports in both English and Spanish. Other responsibilities included maintaining files on all clients and serving as Chairperson for the Senior Service Coalition of Southeast Chicago; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable John A. Pope, Alderman of the 10th Ward has apprised this august body of the auspicious milestone of this remarkable and diligent social service worker; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, gathered together this 14th Day of March, 2012 AD, do hereby salute the success of Julia A. Lopez and wish her every success in any and all future endeavors she may wish to undertake.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Julia A. Lopez.



JOHN A. POPE
Alderman - 10th Ward