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SALUTE TO ST. THERESE CHINESE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

WHEREAS, St Therese Chinese Catholic School was named a 2011 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the U.S Department of Education, a distinction that ranks St. Therese among the highest performing schools in the nation; and

WHEREAS, In 2011, the Department of Education honored only 255 public and 49 private schools with the National Blue Ribbon School Award at a conference and awards ceremony held on November 14 -15 in Washington, D.C.; and

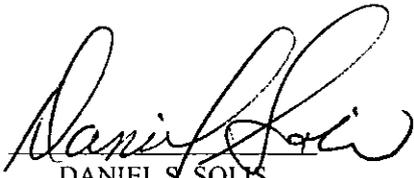
WHEREAS, The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors schools based on being ranked as one of each state's highest performing schools through their scores on state assessments or, in the case of private schools, scoring at the highest performance level on nationally-normed tests. They may also qualify if they have at least 40 percent of their student body come from disadvantaged backgrounds and demonstrate high levels of student performance as measured by the school's scores on state assessments or nationally-normed tests; and

WHEREAS, St. Therese qualified for the National Blue Ribbon of Excellence due to a proven track record of educating a diverse population of students to their highest potential. By requiring students to take Mandarin, Spanish and integrated technology classes, they have exceeded the Illinois State Standards for education. St. Therese's 7th and 8th graders consistently score 90% or higher on national standarised tests. Students who graduate from St. Therese go on attend top ranked college preperatory and magnet schools; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Daniel S. Solis, Alderman of the 25<sup>th</sup> Ward, has apprised this august body of the significant bestowed on this noteworthy school; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, gathered together this 2nd Day of November, 2011 AD, do hereby salute the success of St. Therese Chinese Catholic School and extend our heartiest congratulations upon attaining the National Blue Ribbon of Ecellence through their hard work and dedication.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to St. Therese Chinese Catholic School Principal Phyllis Cavallone.

  
DANIEL S. SOLIS  
Alderman - 25th Ward