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Title:	Congratulations extended to Tom Sivak, Deputy Director Emergency Management with Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications, on receipt of Colonel Robert E. Williams Leadership Award 2018
Committee(s) Assignment:	

RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS TO TOM SIVAK

WHEREAS, Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications (OEMC) Deputy Director of Emergency Management Tom Sivak was presented with the Colonel Robert E. Williams Leadership Award during the 2018 National Homeland Security Association (NHSA) Conference in New York City; and

WHEREAS, The award is given in memory of Colonel Robert E. Williams, one of the founders of NHSA. The leadership award is given to highlight exemplary leadership skills in the day-to-day management of homeland security operations or during a particularly crucial event, to individuals that go above and beyond in their duties and dedication to responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, This august body has been informed of this special award by the Honorable Matthew O'Shea, Alderman of the 19th Ward and the Honorable Ariel Reboyras, Alderman of the 30th Ward; and

WHEREAS, The annual NHSA conference brings together public safety professionals from the nation's largest metropolitan areas to share best practices and innovative approaches to preparedness and response; and

WHEREAS, As Deputy Director of Emergency Management for the City of Chicago's OEMC, Tom Sivak is in charge of special event and emergency/disaster planning. He is also responsible for the City's 24/7 Operations Center, Emergency Operations Center, emergency management duty activations, and emergency management/homeland security training and planning; and

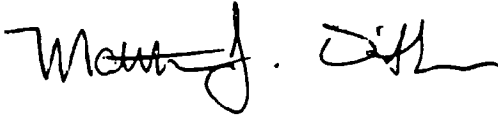
WHEREAS, During his tenure Tom has lead Emergency Operations activations for large-scale events including the Chicago Marathon and Pride Parade, the 2015 Chicago Blackhawks Stanley Cup clinch game and victory parade, and the Chicago Cubs 2016 World Series and victory parade. Most recently Tom served as a lead coordinator for repatriation of hurricane evacuees from St. Martin, and led coordinated recovery efforts for evacuees from Puerto Rico; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Director Tom Sivak's contributions to Chicago's emergency operations and planning for natural, man-made and cyber events have been key factors in securing the city's safety and security. Recognition from this highly respected national organization serves as a tribute to the dedication and expertise that Tom brings to OEMC and the City of Chicago; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor, and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this twenty-fifth day of July, 2018, do hereby extend our heartiest congratulations to Deputy Director Tom Sivak on this achievement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Deputy Director Tom Sivak.



MATTHEW O'SHEA
Alderman, 19th Ward



ARIEL REBOYRAS
Alderman, 30th Ward

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