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2014 Chicago Día de los Niños Resolution

WHEREAS, Making the world a better place begins with young children. The greatest gift we will ever know is a child, born to love and grow. Children are citizens of the world and need emotional and physical stability and should not, ordinarily be separated from their parents; and

WHEREAS, Children need a safe and loving environment to grow, learn, excel, and be happy. They are brilliant and ingenious in their own way. They strive to be independent yet need their family to guide and care for them. Their childhood is filled with bicycles and tricycles as well as bumps and bruises; and

WHEREAS, The United States should have an established national date to recognize the achievements and value of its children. Children are a precious treasure who will thrive on every hug and kiss; and

WHEREAS, on April 30th *Día del Ñiño* (Children's Day) recognizes and acknowledges every child on earth. This day commemorates the lives of our future pride and joy, our children. Children of the Latino community have much to contribute to the future of this city; and

WHEREAS, More than 4,000 children and their families attend the Chicago *Dia de los Niños*/Celebrating Young Americans Parade & Celebration each year. The parade strives to raise awareness about the importance of education for their children. This year's parade theme is Education: Every Child, Every DREAM; and

WHEREAS, This year the Chicago *Dia de los Niños* Parade will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2014, kicking off at Plaza Tenochtitlán on 18th and Blue Island Ave. followed by a *Fiesta* at Harrison Park on 18th Street and Wood Street; and

WHEREAS, By celebrating April 30th, we are making a commitment to children that we will continue to listen, teach and nurture them; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this second day of April, 2014, do hereby proclaim April 30th to be *Dia del Niño* –Day of the Child in the City of Chicago.

Daniel S. Solis Alderman, 25th Ward