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Title: Congratulations to Mather High School boy's soccer team -
2011 Illinois High School Association Class 2A Soccer
Championship

Committee(s) Assignment:

A resolution

adopted by *The City Council*
of the *City of Chicago, Illinois*



Presented by MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL on NOVEMBER 16, 2011

Whereas, The Members of this Chamber are pleased to congratulate Coach Branko Cvijovic and the members of the Mather High School boys soccer team on winning the 2011 Illinois High School Association Class 2A Soccer Championship; and

WHEREAS, Boys soccer is one of the most popular and highly competitive interscholastic sports under the governance of the Illinois High School Association, which held its first boys soccer state tournament in 1972; and

WHEREAS, With players representing a host of different nationalities, cultures and outstanding soccer skills, the Mather High School boys soccer team is one of the most talented high school soccer teams in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The Mather High School boys soccer team qualified for the State's final after beating Peoria Notre Dame High School, the defending state champion, with an impressive three- to-zero score, with goals by Qudus Lawal, Steven Younus and Juan Mendez; and

WHEREAS, In an exciting, fast-paced game, the Mather High School boys soccer team won the state championship match with a six-to-zero victory against Chatham Glenwood High School, with four goals by Qudus Lawal, the 2011 Chicago Tribune boys soccer player of the year, a goal by Steven Younus and another goal by Juan Mendez; and

WHEREAS, The Mather High School boys soccer team is the first Chicago Public League team to win a state championship title since 1973, and the second-ever Public League team to be a state champion in the 40-year history of the tournament; and

WHEREAS, The Mather High School players displayed great motivation, unmatched team spirit, awesome athleticism, hard work and exemplary discipline in every match of the tournament; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Mather High School boys soccer team deserve our commendation and admiration for achieving a new milestone in the history of Public League soccer; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this sixteenth day of November, 2011, do hereby applaud and congratulate Coach Branko Cvijovic and the members of the Mather High School boys soccer team on winning the 2011 Illinois High School Association Class 2A Soccer Championship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Coach Cvijovic and to each member of the Mather High School boys soccer team as a token of our esteem and good wishes.



Ral Emanuel
MAYOR

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