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Meeting Date:	7/30/2014
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Title:	Recognition extended to Pedro L. Verges for contributions to literature
Committee(s) Assignment:	

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Pedro L. Vergés; novelist, eassayist, port and diplomat, was born in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic; and,

WHEREAS, He received his Bachelor in Hispanic Philology from the University of Zaragoza, and his PhD in Latin American Literature from the Universidad de Madrid, Spain; and,

WHEREAS, Pedro L. Vergés published several prestigious award winning works: the novel *Sólo Cenizas Hallarás (Bolero)*; the books of poetry *Juegos Reunidos*, *Durante los inviernos*; and,

WHEREAS, Pedro L. Vergés was editor of the Spanish journals *Cam de l'Arpa* as well as co-founder of *Hora de Poesía*; and,

WHEREAS, Pedro L. Vergés has served as Spain's Director of the *Instituto de Cultura Hispánica* in the Dominican Republic; has worked as a professor of Latin American literature at the Universidad Nacional Pedro Henriquez Ureña and the University of Illinois at Chicago, and,

WHEREAS, Pedro L. Vergés gathered a group of prominent Chicagoans to serve as international observers for the 2004 Dominican Republic's Presidential election; the observers being Judge Abner Mikva, Congressman Edward J. Derwinski, University of Illinois-Chicago's Chancellor Sylvia Manning, Cook County Commissioner Roberto Maldonado; University of Illinois Vice Chancellor for International Affairs Allan Lerner and,

WHEREAS, Pedro L. Vergés has been honored as Dominican Republic's Plenipotentiary Ambassador to Spain; Germany; Japan; and,

WHEREAS, Pedro L. Vergés is the Dominican Republic's permanent Ambassador to the Organization of American States; was Chair of the Organization of American States; currently is President pro tempore of the System of Central America Integration (SICA); and,


WHEREAS, Pedro L. Vergés has been distinguished by the King of Spain and the Emperor of Japan; and,

WHEREAS, Pedro L. Vergés has often volunteered his services to the Dominican community of Chicago, especially through the Dominican American Midwest Association (DAMA); and,

WHEREAS, after many years of dedication to education; culture; and his many accomplishments as a seasoned diplomat; and now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 30th day of July, 2014 A.D., do hereby congratulate and recognize Pedro L. Vergés for his outstanding works in literature, literary criticism, and service in the diplomatic corps; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Pedro L. Vergés.



Ariel E. Reboyras
Alderman, 30th Ward

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