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Meeting Date: 6/22/2022

Sponsor(s): Rodriguez (22)

Type: Resolution

Title: Congratulations extended to Jessica Marquez on winning first place in South Side Weekly Student Essay Contest

Committee(s) Assignment:

**RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING JESSICA MARQUEZ ON HER POEM WINNING THE
SOUTH SIDE WEEKLY STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST**

WHEREAS, Jessica Marquez's poem, *Anita Jumps the Red Lines*, won first place in the South Side Weekly Student Essay Contest for middle school students; and

WHEREAS, The City Council has been informed of this joyous occasion by the Honorable Michael D. Rodriguez, Alderman of the 22nd Ward; and

WHEREAS, Jessica is an eighth grader at Gary Elementary, and will be attending Jones College Prep this upcoming school year; and

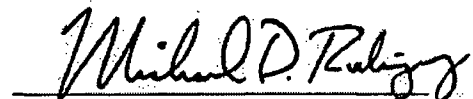
WHEREAS, Jessica lives in the Little Village neighborhood where her family has resided for the past 27 years; and

WHEREAS, As Jessica's poem alternates between Spanish and English, it bounces between themes of racism, redlining, community, the tension between hope and despair, and fighting for progress; and

WHEREAS, The 22nd Ward community is proud of Jessica's hard work and creativity that shines a light on important issues in our City; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this twenty-second day of June, 2022, do hereby express pride in celebration of Jessica Marquez and extend a congratulations to her for her success; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Jessica Marquez.


MICHAEL D. RODRIGUEZ
Alderman, 22nd Ward