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Congratulations extended to M.A.D.E. Foundation on 20th

year anniversary

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

Proclamation Making A Difference Everywhere M.A.D.E. Foundation Day August 2021

WHEREAS, Making A Difference Everywhere (M.A.D.E.) Foundation was founded in 2001 with the goal of utilizing various multifunctional programs to assist at risk youth who range in age from 9-14 years old to establish a positive and productive lifestyle, and

WHEREAS, M.A.D.E. Foundation's mission is to develop at risk youth into leaders through personal development programs and create positive role models using sports; and

WHEREAS, Through sporting activities we are able to reach youth during the most vulnerable three hours of the day immediately after school, who are otherwise difficult, if not impossible, to reach via traditional programs;

WHEREAS, Our goals and objectives are to develop leadership and life skills in the participants through a variety of activities, including mentorship; and

WHEREAS, 100% of the 8th graders in the M.A.D.E. Foundation program graduate from 8th grade compared to just 64.5% of all Chicago students, and 83% of those participating in the program graduate from high school; and

WHEREAS, M.A.D.E. Foundation students have seen improvements in school attendance of 70%; and reductions in in-school suspensions of 71%. And students an 87% decrease in encounters with law enforcement, a possibly life-saving statistic: and

WHEREAS, M.A.D.E. Foundation will celebrate its 20th Anniversary of being advocates for Chicago Youth this August 5, 2021, while planning for its next 20 years; and

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor, and the members of the Chicago City Council assembled here this Fourteen Day of September, 2021, do hereby express our Congratulations to M.A.D.E. Foundation 20th Anniversary of being advocates for Chicago Youth this August 5, 2021, while planning for its next 20 years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED. That a suitable copy of this proclamation be prepared and presented to the M.A.D.E Foundation.

Walter Burnett, Jr.

Alderman of the 27th Ward