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Title: Congratulations extended to Kenneth Ogden on participation in 2022 Special Olympics

Committee(s) Assignment:

**RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING KENNETH OGDEN
ON PARTICIPATING IN THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS**

WHEREAS, Kenneth Ogden, athlete and mentor in the 22nd Ward, participated on Team Illinois bocce, in the 2022 Special Olympics USA Games in Orlando, Florida; and

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

WHEREAS, Kenneth is 25 years old and is from the Archer Heights neighborhood; Kenneth began participating in Special Olympics in 2010, and has since attended the Spring Games competition annually; and

WHEREAS, In 2015, Kenneth joined the Special Recreation program at Vittum Park where he became a Vittum Viking; since joining the Chicago Park District, Kenneth has challenged himself in multiple ways and has excelled in multiple sports including pommel horse in gymnastics, pentathlon in track/field, golf, and skiing; and

WHEREAS, While Kenneth competes in many individual sports, he is also a wonderful team player; his Vittum Vikings basketball team won first place at regionals in 2021 and his Vikings soccer team won first place in April of 2022; Kenneth is a well-rounded athlete, leader, and mentor to other Vikings; and

WHEREAS, In addition to being an outstanding competitor and representative of Team Illinois, Kenneth volunteers his time ensuring Vittum Park remains beautiful; he leads groups in litter pick-ups and landscape maintenance for Earth Day, volunteers at surrounding schools, and has volunteered to help make food packages for the homeless at the Greater Chicago Food Depository; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth has and continues to serve as an excellent role-model for his Viking teammates, and residents of the City, and we congratulate him on his achievement of participating in the 2022 Special Olympics USA games; 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 congratulate Kenneth Ogden on his success, and wish him well on his future endeavors; and

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


MICHAEL D. RODRIGUEZ
Alderman, 22nd Ward