## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Patrick D. Botica, has announced that he will retire as the 11th Ward Superintendent on August 31st, 2020, after thirty years of service to the City of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chicago City Council has been informed of his announcement of retirement by Alderman Patrick D. Thompson; and

WHEREAS, Patrick a lifelong resident of Chicago's South Side, was born March 29th, 1965 and raised in Armour Square and currently resides in Canaryville; and

WHEREAS, Patrick the son of Anthony (Midge) and Shirley Botica; the youngest of eight children Patrick grew up alongside Donna, John, Michael, the late Matthew, Joanne, Timothy, and Martin; and

WHEREAS, Patrick attended St. Jerome grammar school then continued his studies at Saint Mary's of Perpetual Help High School; and

WHEREAS, Patrick began his long career with the City of Chicago as bricklayer for the Chicago Park District in 1990, then in 1994 moved to the Department of Sewers as a bricklayer; and in 1998 Patrick moved to the Department of Transportation. In 2010, he was appointed the 11th Ward Superintendent; and

**WHEREAS**, Patrick has been the best Ward Superintendent in the City and the residents of the 11th Ward have truly appreciated his commitment and dedication to keeping the 11th Ward clean and safe; and

WHEREAS, Patrick, in addition to being a proud Chicagoan, takes pride in his Croatian and Irish heritage and is a member of the Adriatic Club; and

WHEREAS, Patrick married the love of his life Bridget (Byrnes) Botica on July 24th 1992, and together they are the proud parents of Kaitlyn, Jaicie, Payton, and Patrick; he is the father-in-law to Matt Villimas and Deda to Benjamin and Maxwell; and

WHEREAS, Patrick looks forward to enjoying his retirement with his friends and family; and,

WHEREAS, The motto of Chicago is "the City that Works", it is the hard work of people like Patrick D. Botica that make this motto stand the test of time; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this ninth day of September, 2020, do hereby congratulate Patrick D. Botica on the occasion of his retirement from the City of Chicago; applaud him for his many years of exemplary leadership; and commend him for his unwavering dedication and service to the residents of our great City; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Patrick

D. Botica as a token of our appreciation and esteem.

Patrick D. Thompson Alderman, 11th Ward