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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Johanna Dalton retired on October 31, 2016, after 19 years of service as Executive Director of Goldie's Place, located in the 40th Ward of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Johanna is a co-founder of Goldie's Place, an organization whose mission statement is based on their belief in human potential, assisting adults who are homeless to become self-supporting and financially independent through the services provided by Goldie's Place; and

WHEREAS, Johanna spent her years as a tireless advocate for the homeless and for all who came through the doors of Goldie's Place, serving as a dedicated servant and friend to the community and as an active leader in the All Chicago Coalition for the Homeless; and

WHEREAS, During Johanna's tenure as Executive Director, her accomplishments were numerous, including starting the first ever dental clinic for the homeless, creating partnerships with the UIC School of Dentistry, allowing dental students to provide over \$5-million in free dental services; and

WHEREAS, Johanna's fundraising efforts raised over \$15-million for homeless services; and

WHEREAS, Under Johanna's leadership at Goldie's Place, she worked with the homeless to help transform participants into healthy, hopeful, and productive members of the community building their confidence by providing dental treatment, career development and guidance, clothing from the Goldie's Place Clothes Closet as they went on job interviews and job placement, and helped place 1,200 homeless people in jobs; and

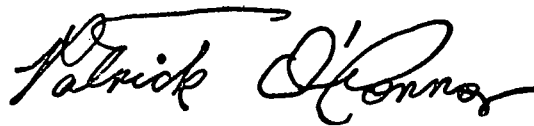
WHEREAS, Johanna's tireless work and compassion as an advocate for the homeless in Chicago will always be remembered by the thousands of people she's helped and whose lives she's touched; and

WHEREAS, While Johanna may have retired as Executive Director of Goldie's Place, her passion in helping the homeless is something that will always carry on; and

WHEREAS, Johanna's 19 years of service as Executive Director of Goldie's Place was recognized as she was honored at a Leadership Award Dinner that took place on Sunday, February 19, 2017, at the Unity Church in Chicago; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this twenty-second day of February, 2017, do hereby congratulate Johanna Dalton in her retirement, offer our sincere best wishes, and thank her for her years of dedication in helping the homeless in Chicago;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Johanna Dalton.



Patrick J. O'Connor – Alderman, 40th Ward

