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Congratulations Extended to Ralph Weber

WHEREAS, Ralph Weber has announced his retirement from Northwestern Memorial Hospital following more than three decades of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this announcement by Alderman Brendan Reilly; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Weber began his career with Northwestern Memorial Hospital in 1980 as Assistant to the President, and;

WHEREAS, While wearing many hats, Ralph Weber played key roles in the expansion of the hospital campus, including the planning of the Feinberg Galter Pavilion, the Prentice Pavilion, the acquisition of the VA properties, and the collaboration with the campus partners in the relocation of Children's Memorial Hospital to the new Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, In 2007 Ralph Weber distinguished himself as a true community leader and served as chairman of the board of the 750 plus member Greater North Michigan Avenue Association ("GNMAA"); and

WHEREAS, Ralph Weber has been actively involved in a variety of Planning & Advocacy committees, at GNMAA. Through these various roles he spearheaded GNMAA's input into the City of Chicago's Zoning Ordinance Amendment, and headed GNMAA's leadership review of the City's Central Area Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Weber's vision for the "Magnificent Mile" has made it his duty to ensure the world-class nature of the district is upheld and that it continues to surpass other cities in thought-leading developments and an exquisite landscape. Ralph was instrumental in the development of "Vision 2012," a conceptual plan for the future of The Magnificent Mile district and the surrounding neighborhoods. He is now completing work on the association's next planning document, "Vision 2025."

WHEREAS, Throughout his career he led Northwestern Memorial Hospital's Certificate of Need ("CON") regulatory approval process with the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board. It should be noted that due to the thoroughness of each of the CON applications Ralph Weber enjoys a perfect record of having all such applications approved; and

WHEREAS, A hardworking public servant, Ralph Weber wholeheartedly supported the hospital's mission of Patient's First; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Weber was an integral part of Northwestern Memorial's staff for over 30 years and enriched the lives of thousands of patients, staff and citizens through his commitment to the highest ideals of service; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this third day of October, 2012, do hereby congratulate Ralph Weber on his retirement and do hereby express our gratitude for his exemplary public service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Ralph Weber.



Brendan Reilly
Alderman, 42nd Ward