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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL  
MAYOR

July 25, 2012

TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a congratulatory resolution concerning the Chicago Police Department.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Mayor

# A resolution

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



Presented by MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL on JULY 25, 2012

**Whereas**, On September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Chicago Police Officers Alejandro R. Acevedo (Star # 15760) and Charlotte G. Gonzalez (Star # 10830), members of the 17<sup>th</sup> District Tactical Unit, were on patrol when they heard gunshots; and

**WHEREAS**, The two police officers responded immediately. While they were en route to the scene of the gunfire, a message was broadcast by the first police units on the scene saying a man had been shot and the assailant was fleeing in a black Chevrolet Suburban; and

**WHEREAS**, Officers Acevedo and Gonzalez recalled seeing a Suburban matching that description while on their way to the source of the shooting, so they doubled back to find it again; and

**WHEREAS**, Officers Acevedo and Gonzalez soon spotted the suspected vehicle heading north on Kedzie Avenue. The officers notified the dispatcher and activated their emergency equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, The officers pulled over the vehicle on the 5300 block of North Kedzie Avenue, then exited their squad car; and

**WHEREAS**, The passenger jumped out of the black S.U.V., pointed a handgun at Officers Acevedo and Gonzalez, and began firing. Officers Acevedo and Gonzalez returned fire. The assailant then fled on foot into an unlit driveway while continuing to shoot at the officers; and

**WHEREAS**, While Officer Acevedo chased the assailant, Officer Gonzalez approached the driver of the vehicle. Utilizing her professional training, moving quickly and decisively, Officer Gonzalez pulled the driver from the vehicle and handcuffed him without incident; and

**WHEREAS,** Meanwhile, Officer Acevedo continued to pursue the other assailant down the unlit driveway. Taking cover behind a parked van in order to reload his weapon, he ordered the offender to get on the ground. The assailant ignored the commands and continued firing at Officer Acevedo. Once he reloaded his weapon, Officer Acevedo once again engaged the offender in an exchange of gunfire, fatally striking the gunman; and

**WHEREAS,** The ensuing investigation revealed that the two offenders were both members of a street gang and that they had just shot and killed a rival gang member in the 4900 block of North Troy Street. The surviving offender was charged with two counts of murder; and

**WHEREAS,** As a result of the brave actions of these two fine Chicago Police Officers, two murderers have been removed from the streets of Chicago; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this twenty-fifth day of July, 2012, do hereby honor the bravery of Police Officer Alejandro R. Acevedo and Police Officer Charlotte G. Gonzalez; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Police Officer Alejandro R. Acevedo and Police Officer Charlotte G. Gonzalez, and placed on permanent record in their personnel files, as a token of our esteem and gratitude.



  
MAYOR

  
CITY CLERK