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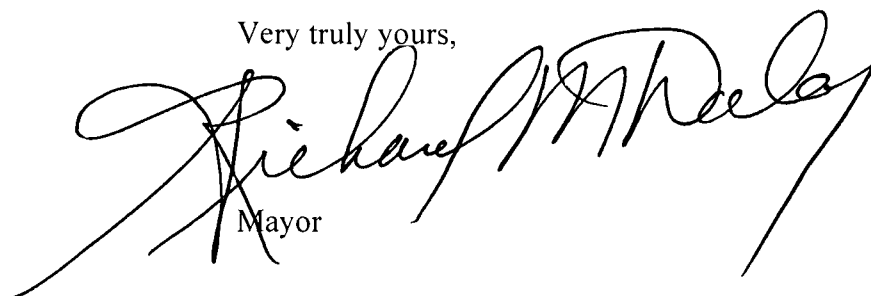
TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a resolution regarding our departing friend and colleague, Alderman Daley.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,


Mayor

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Members of this Chamber are proud to congratulate our friend and colleague Alderman Vi Daley on her retirement from the City Council after twelve years of outstanding and dedicated service to the people of the 43rd Ward and the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, An active member of the Lincoln Park community for over forty years; prior to her long and distinguished career as an elected official, Alderman Daley diligently served as the Chief of Staff to former Alderman Charles Bernardini and as the Executive Director of Friends of Lincoln Park, a not-for-profit advocacy group; and

WHEREAS, First elected to the Chicago City Council in 1999, Alderman Daley has served the City Council with honor and distinction as the Vice-Chair of the Committees on Historical Landmark Preservation and Zoning, and as a member of the Committees on Budget and Government Operations; Committees, Rules and Ethics; Economic, Capital and Technology Development; Finance; Parks and Recreation; and Special Events and Cultural Affairs; and

WHEREAS, A champion for the safety and well-being of the residents of her Ward and all Chicagoans, Alderman Daley has sponsored and co-sponsored several ordinances and initiatives addressing such wide-ranging causes as protecting excavation damage victims, limiting the number of branch banks on pedestrian-oriented commercial streets, and preserving historic landmarks, including the designation of the Armitage-Halsted District as a Chicago landmark; and

WHEREAS, Alderman Daley has actively worked to bring extensive capital improvements to the 43rd Ward, including improved lighting and landscaping, pedestrian-friendly streets, pedestrian level lights, traffic signal modernization, and the creation and redevelopment of parks and playgrounds, including the Mid-North Park and Cummings Playground; and

WHEREAS, A firm believer in public-private sector partnerships for development, Alderman Daley, working with neighbors and developers, ensured a remodeled kitchen for the 55th Engine Company firehouse on Halsted Street, created the Lakefront Sculpture Exhibit to bring large-scale contemporary sculpture into the area, a children's bike festival to promote safe summer activities, and an annual bingo party for local senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, Admired for her timely response to constituent requests, Alderman Daley is the first Chicago Alderman to post a street cleaning schedule on her website and to send email alerts to residents before a street cleaning; and

WHEREAS, A highly respected elected official and prominent leader, Alderman Daley has been recognized and admired for her many contributions to the citizens of Chicago, her dedicated service in various civic and community organizations, and her commitment to many important causes; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this fourth day of May, 2011, do hereby commend Alderman Vi Daley for her many years of excellent service as the Alderman of the 43rd Ward of the City of Chicago, and extend to her our best wishes for continued success and fulfillment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Alderman Vi Daley as a sign of our appreciation and esteem.