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Resolution

Recognition extended to Richard Karwowski for contributions to community

Committee(s) Assignment:



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Richard Karwowski exemplifies the best human attributes of caring, helping, and looking out for his fellow human being and deserves recognition as a Good Neighbor in the 26^{th} Ward; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of Richard Karwowski's remarkable service to his neighbors by Alderman Roberto Maldonado; and

WHEREAS, born in Chicago on June 1, 1961, Richard started his life in a home his grandfather built until he felt the call to serve his country and proudly served in the Army for two years stationed overseas in Miesau, West Germany; and

WHEREAS, after returning to Chicago he married his high school sweetheart and worked hard to take good care of his growing family in the Humboldt Park community; and

WHEREAS, in 1987, Richard joined the Chicago Police Department serving in several districts and eventually becoming a Field Training Officer training hundreds of officers including the slain police hero Michael Ceriale; and

WHEREAS, Richard received numerous awards for his police work keeping the streets safe from DUI offenders before retiring from the Chicago Police Department after 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, even while devoting himself to his family and his career, Richard was always looking out for the well-being and safety of his neighbors in the Humboldt Park community; and

WHEREAS, Richard worked hard to help close a local liquor store infested with drug and gang problems and he regularly attends CAPS meetings speaking bravely on behalf of his neighbors to report gang activity and notorious drug houses; and

WHEREAS; Richard worked with the Park District to create a playground in the neighborhood and every year he organizes the Earth Day spring clean-up of the ponds in the park so that wildlife can safely return; and

WHEREAS, during the cold and snowy winter months, Richard keeps his neighbors safe by clearing their sidewalks and alleys with his snow blower and brings festive cheer by decorating his house with elaborate Christmas displays; and

WHEREAS, Richard Karwowski is a Good Neighbor, not only putting his life on the line to protect the entire city as a police officer, but also showing kindness and helpfulness for his neighbors and making the Humboldt Park neighborhood a place the residents are proud to call home; now, therefore,



BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this second day of April, 2014, do hereby commend Richard Karwowski as a Good Neighbor in the 26^{th} Ward; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution is presented to Richard Karwowski in appreciation of his caring work for his neighbors.

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Alderman – 26th Ward



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