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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

September 14, 2016

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith, together with Aldermen Quinn, Burke and Zalewski, a congratulatory resolution regarding the Clear Ridge Little League.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Rahm Emanuel
Mayor



A resolution

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

ALDERMEN MARTY QUINN, EDWARD M. BURKE
AND MICHAEL R. ZALEWSKI

Presented by MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL *on* SEPTEMBER 14, 2016

Whereas , On August 6 of this year, the Clear Ridge Little League won the Little League Senior World Series in Bangor, Maine, defeating the Southern Mariners of Melbourne, Australia by a score of seven to two; and

WHEREAS, Senior League Baseball is Little League's division for players ages 13 through 16. Little League created the Senior Division to give kids an opportunity to continue playing beyond the traditional structure of Little League, which begins at age 9 and ends at age 12; and

WHEREAS, Unlike Little League, Senior League features an infield that has the same dimensions as in Major League Baseball; and

WHEREAS, The first Little League Senior World Series took place in 1961 in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. The Senior League division has grown since then to 2,850 teams around the world. In the last 15 years, eleven players who have participated in the Senior World Series have gone on to play in Major League Baseball; and

WHEREAS, Clear Ridge Little League advanced to the Senior World Series by first winning their District Tournament, four games to one. They then advanced to the State Tournament, where they won four games and lost none. Clear Ridge outscored their opponents 49 to zero in the State Tournament; and

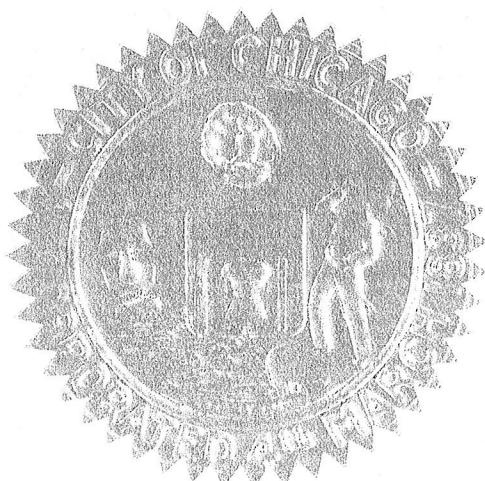
WHEREAS, Having won the State Tournament, Clear Ridge Little League advanced to the Central Region Tournament and won convincingly five games to none. They then advanced to the Senior League World Series and won the title five games to none; and

WHEREAS, Clear Ridge Little League, which hails from the Garfield Ridge/Clearing neighborhood, became the first team from Illinois to win the Senior League World Series. The players attend South Side Catholic high schools, including St. Laurence, St. Rita, De La Salle, Marist and Nazareth; and

WHEREAS, All of Chicago is proud of these fine young men from Clear Ridge Little League for winning the Little League Senior World Series. Their dedication, perseverance, teamwork and skill have made them champions, and exemplify the spirit of our great City; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this fourteenth day of September, 2016, do hereby congratulate the players and coaches of Clear Ridge Little League for winning the 2016 Little League Senior World Series; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Manager Mark Robinson, Coach Ray Verta, Coach Will Trezek and players Gary Donohue, Bobby Palenik, Julian Lopez, Paolo Zavala, Timmy Molloy, Zach Verta, Joe Trezek, Gage Olszak, Mike Skoraczewski, Noah Miller, Jake Gerloski, Jake Duerr, Tommy Doyle, Dave Navarro, Mike Rios and Mel Morario as a token of our admiration and esteem.



Rahm Emanuel
MAYOR

Susana Mendoza
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