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Recognition extended to Dr. Romeo Raul Rodriguez and

Escuela Superior Politecnica De Chimborazo

Committee(s) Assignment:

## SALUTE TO DR. ROMEO RAUL RODRIGUEZ CARDENAS AND THE ESCUELA SUPERIOR POLITECNICA DE CHIMBORAZO

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this legislative body to honor those distinguished individuals whose lifework and enlightened endeavors have served to enhance the quality of life for the citizens of their country as well as the institutions to which they are attached; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Romeo Raul Rodriguez Cardenas is just such an individual who has emerged as a university leader who supports linking his academic institution to the community who champions affordable education for the youth of the South American country of Ecuador; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Romeo Raul Rodriguez Cardenas is Deputy Dean of the Escuela Superior Politecnica de Chimborazo (ESPOCH) as well as the Dean of the Faculty of Informatics and Electronics. Additionally, he serves as the university's Rector. As such, he is extraordinarily committed to supporting initiatives that promote respect for multiculturalism as well as the recognition of the full development of human and collective rights of all Ecuadoreans; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1969 as the Instituto Tecnologico Superior de Chimborazo by an act of the National Congress of Ecuador, the Escuela Superior Politecnica de Chimborazo (ESPOCH) has seven faculties teaching Natural Resources, Science, Business Management, Electronic Engineering and Informatics, Public Health, Livestock Science and Mechanical Engineering. ESPOCH is classified in the "A" category of higher educational institutions that only include the most important universities in Ecuador; and

WHEREAS, ESPOCH educates indigenous students from all the national territories that include people of different cultures, ethnicities and nationalities. Their critical, intercultural and humanistic approach results in trained practical-reflexive professionals who will contribute to solving the socio-cultural and productive issues facing Ecuador with mutual respect for others and the natural environment; and

WHEREAS, As an agent of change, ESPOCH has established intercultural relationships with the peoples, cultures and ancestral indigenous nationalities of the Amazon region through its branches in Morona Santiago (Macas) and the Northerly Amazon (Orellana). In Orellana, ESPOCH trains teachers of various nationalities to generate capacity in the field of education; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George A. Cardenas, Alderman of the 12<sup>th</sup> Ward, has apprised this august body of the outstanding achievements of Dr. Romeo Raul Rodriguez Cardenas' seminal work and the noteworthy institution to which he devotes his service; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, gathered together this 3<sup>rd</sup> Day of October, 2012 AD, do hereby salute Dr. Romeo Raul Rodriguez Cardenas and the Escuela Superior Politecnica de Chimborazo for praiseworthy contributions to the welfare and education of the citizens of their country and extend our heartfelt wishes for continuing success in carrying on their vital mission in beneficence to the nation of Ecuador.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Dr. Romeo Raul Rodriguez Cardenas.

GEORGE M. CARDENAS Alderman – 12<sup>th</sup> Ward

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