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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL  
MAYOR

November 2, 2011

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a congratulatory resolution for Robert W. McDarrah on the occasion of his retirement.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rahm Emanuel".

Mayor

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, The Members of this Chamber wish to congratulate Robert W. McDarrah, retiring Deputy Commissioner of the Division of Infrastructure Management in the Chicago Department of Transportation, for his thirty-one years of faithful service to the people of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. McDarrah began his career with the City of Chicago in the Department of Sewers as a laborer in November 1980. He remained in that position until December 1985. During his time as a laborer, Mr. McDarrah completed a Bricklayer Apprentice Program; and

**WHEREAS**, In December 1985, Mr. McDarrah was promoted to the position of Bricklayer, a position he held until August 1994; and

**WHEREAS**, From August 1994 through December 2003, Mr. McDarrah held various executive positions within the Department of Sewers, and coordinated sewer operations during the merger of the Department of Sewers with the Department of Water into the Department of Water Management; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. McDarrah became the Deputy Commissioner in the Division of In-House Construction in the City of Chicago's Department of Transportation in December 2003, where he remained until August 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, From August 2009 until his retirement in October 2011, Mr. McDarrah was the Deputy Commissioner in the Division of Infrastructure Management at the Department of Transportation, where he oversaw sign management, pavement markings and advertising bench contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, During Mr. McDarrah's long and faithful service to the people of the City of Chicago, he distinguished himself with numerous awards, achievements and accomplishments, including co-creating the Department of Sewers' first safety program. He developed training manuals for all trades in the Department of Sewers. Mr. McDarrah designed and built the Repair Crew Training Center; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. McDarrah received the Citizenship Award from Mayor Harold Washington and the Chicago Fire Department for rescuing victims from a burning building; and

**WHEREAS**, Wed on November 8, 1991, Mr. McDarrah was married for 16 years to Stacy (nee Rostenkowski) McDarrah, until her passing on December 24, 2007. He is the proud father of one son, Robert, twelve years old; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this second day of November, 2011, do hereby congratulate Robert W. McDarrah on the occasion of his retirement after thirty-one years of distinguished service with the City of Chicago; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Robert W. McDarrah as a sign of our congratulations and good wishes.