

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING LYZETTE AUSTEN AND K.J. BRADLEY FOR THEIR
YEARS OF SERVICE TO SCOUTS BSA TROOP 894**

WHEREAS, Lyzette Austen and K.J. Bradley have voluntarily contributed their valuable time to the positions of Scoutmaster of Scouts and Advancement Chairperson of BSA Troop 894 and have recently retired; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this milestone by the Honorable Matthew J. Martin, Alderman of the 47th Ward; and

WHEREAS, During the pandemic, their leadership team kept Scouts on their path by continuing to engage them via Zoom meetings, and safely using outdoor space in public parks; and

WHEREAS, They kept Scouts active in the community through service projects with Cleaning the Parks and helping the Greater Food Depository, in addition to fundraising with Lou Malnati's pizza coupons, popcorn, flowers, and plant seed sales. These fundraising efforts brightened people's lives and helped to meet both Pack and Troop goals for camping and equipment, which has been put to good use at summer camps and camping experiences; and

WHEREAS, The impact of their leadership has marked a new time of inclusiveness in our community as in 2018, under the sponsorship of Charles Marsh and supported by Lyzette Austen, the Cub Scout Pack began allowing girls from the community to be involved in the newly blended Scouts BSA; and

WHEREAS, During their volunteer leadership service, they have helped many Scouts advance through the ranks and become productive and helpful community members and leaders. Under their leadership, eight Scouts have earned their Eagle Scout rank, the highest level for a Scout to achieve; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this nineteenth day of April, 2023, do hereby recognize Lyzette Austen and K.J. Bradley for their years of service, dedication to the Scouting mission, and contribution to the community and wish them happiness and success in all their future endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Lyzette Austen and K.J. Bradley as a token of our honor and respect.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt J. Martin", is written over a horizontal line.

Matthew J. Martin
Alderman, 47th Ward