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Title:	Congratulations extended to Karen Lewis on retirement as president of Chicago Teachers Union
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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Karen Lewis, a widely admired labor leader, has officially retired as the President of the Chicago Teachers Union; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this event by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

WHEREAS, A native of Chicago, Karen Lewis was raised in a family of teachers; and

WHEREAS, Karen Lewis attended Mount Holyoke College before graduating from Dartmouth College; and

WHEREAS, Karen Lewis joined the union in 1988 and worked for 22 years as a King College Prep High School and was a Lane Technical High School chemistry teacher before becoming President on the Chicago Teachers Union in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her illustrious career, Karen Lewis has upheld the finest and most noble traditions of public service; and

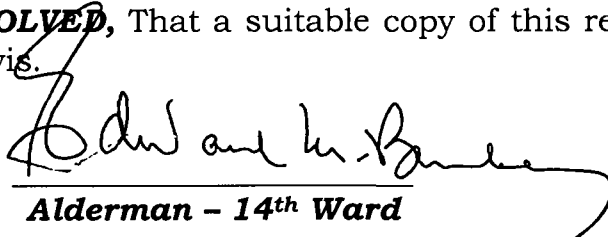
WHEREAS, Karen Lewis led the Chicago Teachers Union on a 10-day strike in September of 2012; and

WHEREAS, Karen Lewis was a 2015 recipient of the *Deborah H. Meier Hero in Education Award* bestowed by Fairtest; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Karen Lewis serve as an example to all; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twentieth day of September, 2018, do hereby congratulate Karen Lewis on her retirement as President of the Chicago Teachers Union; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Karen Lewis.



Alderman - 14th Ward