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## ***RESOLUTION***

**WHEREAS**, Educator Frank Trapani is being hailed by St. Richard School officials for coming to the assistance of a child who appeared to be choking on a piece of food in the school lunchroom; and

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

**WHEREAS**, Choking is the fourth leading cause of unintentional injury deaths in the United States, following poisonings, motor vehicle crashes and falls; and

**WHEREAS**, Foods are responsible for many choking incidents and choking can cause a simple coughing fit or even a complete blockage of the airway, which can lead to death; and

**WHEREAS**, Choking can result in brain damage or death, and serious harm can happen within minutes; and

**WHEREAS**, On Wednesday, December 16, 2015, a student at St. Richard School was choking on something he had eaten when Frank Trapani stepped up and applied the Heimlich maneuver, dislodging the item from the student's throat; and

**WHEREAS**, As the child appeared to immediately recover, no call was made for an ambulance or emergency assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Trapani serves as a Social Studies and Religion teacher for grades six through eight and is a veteran member of the faculty at the school which is located in the Archer Heights community; and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Trapani's quick intervention is worthy of our admiration and esteem; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this tenth day of February, 2016, do hereby recognize Frank Trapani for his decisive and lifesaving actions; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Frank Trapani.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. B. B.', written over a horizontal line.

**Alderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**