

## City of Chicago



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## Office of the City Clerk

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119th anniversary of serving vulnerable populations in

Chicago

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## Resolution

Whereas, the Sisters of the Resurrection were originally founded in Rome, Italy in 1891, by four Polish women.

Whereas, they arrived in Chicago in 1900 where the Sisters dedicated themselves to serving all who were in need, wherever they were to be found, especially in Northwest Chicago.

Whereas, Sister Anne Strzelecka, led by faith, purchased land in 1912 which is now home to both Resurrection High School and Resurrection Medical Center.

Whereas, in decades to come, the Sisters of the Resurrection provided extraordinary outreach, education, medical care and a steadfast supportive presence to vulnerable communities throughout neighborhoods in Northwest Chicago.

Whereas, the Sisters of the Resurrection highlight and model for others what it means to give one's self to a life of service. In their daily life of prayer, community, work and ongoing education, the Sisters also give witness to a life of servant-leadership.

Whereas, continuing the tradition of their founding Polish pioneers, the Sisters model selflessness, generosity and community values. These faith-filled, Catholic women continue to inspire others to answer the call of serving others. Their focus on listening and responding to the needs of our communities continues to inspire others to enter care-giving professions, especially healthcare and education.

Whereas, many of the Sisters of the Resurrection continue to live in the community of Northwest Chicago and support community efforts in their daily work and prophetic witness.

Whereas, Their support of the recent restoration of the chapel at Resurrection Medical Center will provide a space for reflection, prayer and peace for generations to come.

Whereas, this resolution celebrates the Sisters of the Resurrection health care ministry, which brought healing and hope to thousands of our neighbors. And we acknowledge their tremendous faith, leadership and tenacity to overcome

adversity and persevere in order to provide for care and dignity to all those in need.

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this thirteenth day of March, 2019, do hereby express our admiration and gratitude to the Sisters of the Resurrection and honor their legacy, mission and commitment to providing critical healthcare and high quality education to vulnerable populations in Chicago for 119 years.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Sisters of the Resurrection as a token of our gratitude and esteem.

Anthony Napolitano 41<sup>st</sup> Ward Alderman