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Mitts, Emma (37)

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Resolution

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Recognition extended to Dr, Raul Luna

Committee(s) Assignment:

A RESOLUTION SALUTING THE LIFE & CAREER OF DR. RAUL LUNA

WHEREAS, Dr. Raul Luna was born and raised in La Paz, Bolivia, and at the age of 21 he came to the United States after having attended one year of University in Bolivia; and

WHEREAS, this august body has been informed of Dr. Luna's accomplishments by the Honorable Emma Mitts, Alderman of the 37thWard; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Luna attended Loop College to study the English Language; and

WHEREAS, In 1976, Dr. Luna graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. After graduation, he wanted to attend Medical school; and

WHEREAS, The University told him that he had little chance of attending medical school in the United States. Dr. Luna went to Mexico and graduated with his medical degree; and

WHEREAS, In 1980, Dr. Raul Luna came back to Chicago, IL and taught Mathematics to adult learners at Malcolm X College from 1981- 1985, while studying for the 3 day medical board exams; and

WHEREAS, In 1985, Dr. Raul Luna was hired by the Chicago Public Schools and taught at Schurz High School. He taught Mathematics, and eventually became the department chairperson. Dr. Luna was on staff at Schurz High School for ten years; and

WHEREAS, On October 6, 1995, Mr. John Jursa became the Principal of Prosser Career Academy. At that time, Mr. Jursa asked Dr. Luna to be his assistant principal; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Luna and Mr. Jursa made a dynamic duo, turning the school around with their excellent leadership team; and

WHEREAS, In 2003, Mr. Kenneth Hunter became the Principal of Prosser Career Academy; and

WHEREAS, He and Dr. Luna proceeded to elevate the school to the status that it enjoys to today. Dr. Raul Luna to date, has worked for the Chicago Public Schools for 28 years; and

WHEREAS, in deep and grateful appreciation to his commitment to public education in Chicago, today we honor his years of service and dedication; and

Be It Resolved, Be It Resolved, that I, Emma Mitts – Alderman of the 37th Ward, and on behalf of the members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, on this 6th day of June, 2012 A.D., do hereby express our appreciation and heartfelt thanks to **Dr. Raul Luna** and for the dedication, professionalism and personal sacrifice proved throughout the past twenty-eight years; and

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of the resolution be prepared and presented to **Dr. Raul Luna**.

EMMA MITTS, ALDERMAN - 37th Ward

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