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SALUTING THE CHICAGO-KENT COLLEGE OF LAW'S QUASQUICENTENNIAL

WHEREAS, In 2013, the Chicago-Kent College of Law will celebrate its 125th anniversary, having been founded in 1888 as the second law school in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Historically, several Chicago-Kent graduates have had notable careers in public service, including Chicago Mayor William E. Dever and 2nd Ward Alderman Louis Anderson, who was the second African-American Alderman in the City of Chicago City Council; and

WHEREAS, Chicago-Kent graduates have been pioneers in bringing equality to the legal profession. A woman, Emma Baumann, earned a degree from Chicago-Kent soon after its founding in 1891. In 1894, another Chicago-Kent graduate, Ida Platt, became the first black woman admitted to the bar in Illinois and the second in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Other notable Chicago-Kent graduates include Henry Horner, the first Jewish governor of Illinois, Edna Covert Plummer, the first female district attorney in the nation, Florence King, the first woman to practice patent law in the United States, Esther Rothstein, the first woman president of the Chicago Bar Association, and Anita Alvarez, the first woman and first Hispanic to serve as Cook County States Attorney; and

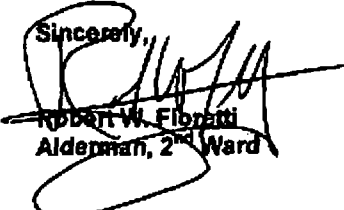
WHEREAS, Chicago-Kent has a tradition of bringing innovation to the study of law, including being the first law school to incorporate computer technology, instituting the first three-year program in legal research, writing and analysis at an American law school, as well as establishing the first L.L.M. programs in international intellectual property law and financial services law in the United States, and;

WHEREAS, Chicago-Kent strives to promote legal scholarship through its Center for Information, Society and Policy; Institute for Science, Law and Technology; Institute on the Supreme Court of the United States; Program on Intellectual Property; the John Paul Stevens Jury Center and the Institute for Law and the Workplace, and;

WHEREAS, Chicago-Kent has been widely recognized for excellence throughout the years, including being named Public Interest Law School of the Year and a top "up and coming" law school by US News and World Report, among other honors; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the Chicago City Council, assembled here this 11th Day of September 2013 AD do hereby salute the Illinois Institute of Technology Chicago-Kent College of Law for its 125 years of service and extend our very best wishes for its continuing success.



Sincerely,

Robert W. Fibretti
Alderman, 2nd Ward



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