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<b>Title:</b>	Congratulations extended to Honorable Ruben Castillo on being first Latino Chief Judge of United States District Court for Northern District of Illinois
<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Rubén Castillo has been sworn in as the first Latino Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois; and

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

**WHEREAS**, The son of a Mexican immigrant father and Puerto-Rican born mother, the Honorable Rubén Castillo was raised in the West Town neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Rubén Castillo attended Gordon Tech High School and Loyola University Chicago before graduating from Northwestern University Law School; and

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Rubén Castillo joined the law firm of Jenner & Block and served under federal prosecutor Dan Webb; and

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Rubén Castillo concluded his tenure at the U.S. Attorney's Office in 1988 to serve as the director and legal counsel for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund in Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Rubén Castillo joined the law firm of Kirkland & Ellis LLP as a partner; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1994, President William Jefferson Clinton named the Honorable Rubén Castillo to the federal bench; and

**WHEREAS**, For nearly two decades, the Honorable Rubén Castillo has earned the respect and admiration of his peers for his wide-ranging knowledge of the law and commitment to best practices; and

**WHEREAS**, As Chief Judge, the Honorable Rubén Castillo supervises matters of great sensitivity, including grand jury empanelling, whistleblower suits filed under seal and federal requests to install wiretaps or conduct other forms of electronic surveillance; and

**WHEREAS,** As a co-chair of the American Bar Association's Trial Practice Committee, the Honorable Rubén Castillo has helped foster the most efficient use of court room time by sharing his wisdom and hard-won practical experience with other lawyers; and

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twenty-fourth day of July, 2013, do hereby commend the Honorable Rubén Castillo for his extraordinary career and tireless commitment to justice; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Honorable Rubén Castillo.

  

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**Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**