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<b>Title:</b>	Installation of commemorative plaque at Moses Montefiore School honoring Police Officer Irma C. Ruiz
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**ORDER**

**WHEREAS**, The month of September 2013 marks the 25th anniversary of the brave and ultimate sacrifice made by Chicago Police Officer Irma C. Ruiz in the line of duty; and

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

**WHEREAS**, On the morning of September 22, 1988, Chicago Police Officers Irma C. Ruiz and Greg Jaglowski of the Area 4 Youth Division were inside Moses Montefiore School, 1300 South Ashland Avenue, when they were alerted to the arrival of an armed assailant; and

**WHEREAS**, A deranged Vietnam veteran had come to the school intent on continuing a deadly rampage he had begun at a nearby auto parts business; and

**WHEREAS**, In the process of confronting the man, Officer Greg Jaglowski was wounded in the left thigh, while Officer Irma C. Ruiz was fatally shot by a bullet that pierced her heart; and

**WHEREAS**, As Officer Greg Jaglowski tended to Officer Irma C. Ruiz and radioed for assistance, the gunman stepped inside an unoccupied room and took the opportunity to reload his weapon; and

**WHEREAS**, Shortly thereafter, the gunman reappeared and opened fire on Officer Greg Jaglowski, shooting him in the right leg; and

**WHEREAS**, Displaying the remarkable skill and poise that are hallmarks of Chicago's Finest, Officer Greg Jaglowski, in spite of his serious wounds, returned fire and brought the assailant down with two expertly aimed shots; and

**WHEREAS**, The courageous intervention and ultimate sacrifice of Officer Irma C. Ruiz protected the students, staff and teachers at Moses Montefiore School from a murderous gunman; and

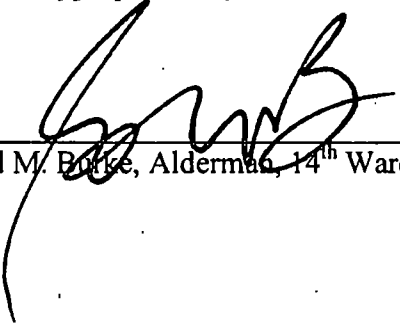
**WHEREAS**, Officer Irma C. Ruiz was posthumously decorated with the Blue Star Award, the Award of Valor and the Police Medal, the Chicago Police Department's highest honor; and

**WHEREAS**, A Chicago public elementary school was named in honor of Officer Irma C. Ruiz; and

**WHEREAS**, The cherished wife of Peter and the loving mother of Peter, Irma, John and Philip, Officer Irma C. Ruiz leaves a legacy of sacrifice, service and generosity; now, therefore

**BE IT ORDERED,** That the Public Building Commission is hereby ordered to install a commemorative plaque at Moses Montefiore school to honor the valor and sacrifice of Officer Irma C. Ruiz; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDERED,** That the Office of Budget and Management is hereby ordered to appropriate any and all necessary funds for the same.

  
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Edward M. Burke, Alderman, 14<sup>th</sup> Ward

