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Congratulations extended to Northwest (Copernicus)

Regional Center

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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Northwest (Copernicus) Regional Center, 3160 N. Milwaukee Avenue, opened in the Avondale community in 1977, making it the oldest of the five regional centers operated by the Senior Services Division of the Chicago Department of Family and Support Services; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Northwest (Copernicus) Regional Center serves an estimated 10,000 senior citizens and family members every year. The number of participants who take part in the center's daily activities has also grown to more than 4,000 individuals; and,

WHEREAS, The Northwest (Copernicus) Regional Center staff members are Merrie Star—Regional Director, Rafael Gonzalez—Program Director, Teresa Velasquez—Information and Assistance Coordinator, Queen Brown—Regional Nutrition Supervisor, Linda Mateo—Benefits Specialist, Timeka Smith—Receptionist, and Maria Caldero—Data Clerk; and,

WHEREAS, Merrie Star has been the Northwest Regional Director since 1998, and has over 28 years of experience serving as an administrator and manager of programs for older adults; and,

**WHEREAS,** The primary mission of the senior center is to provide a wide range of services and programs to Chicago residents who are 60 years of age and older to keep them actively involved in their communities; and,

**WHEREAS,** On Friday, June 15, 2012, The Northwest (Copernicus) Regional Center celebrated its' 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary; and now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago gathered here this twenty seventh day of June 2012, do hereby congratulate The Northwest (Copernicus) Regional Center for its 35 years of services and dedication to Chicago's senior citizens and their family members; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the staff of The Northwest (Copernicus) Regional Center.

Ariel E. Reboyras Alderman, 30th Ward

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