Resolution Honoring Kids In Danger's 25th Anniversary

WHEREAS, Kids In Danger (KID) has been working for the past 25 years to protect children by fighting for product safety; and

WHEREAS, KID was founded in 1998 by two University of Chicago professors whose son, Danny, was killed in a recalled – and very dangerous – portable crib at his child care home in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, KID's mission is to save lives by enhancing transparency and accountability through safer product development, better education and stronger advocacy for children; and

WHEREAS, In 1999, KID introduced and helped pass the Illinois Children's Product Safety Act, ensuring that recalled children's products could not be sold in Illinois or used in childcare; and

WHEREAS, In 2008, KID helped pass the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act. A portion of the law carries Danny's name and requires strong standards and independent testing for durable infant and toddler products. This led to the world's strongest crib standard and safer cribs in childcare and homes; and

WHEREAS, KID successfully advocated with coalition partners to protect children from hazardous infant inclined sleep products, padded crib bumpers, button and coin cell battery ingestion, and furniture tip-overs; and

WHEREAS, KID has conducted research analyzing recalled products to affect policy change and to educate parents about dangerous products; and

WHEREAS, KID has educated and trained thousands of parents, childcare providers, home visitors, and health care professionals on product safety – giving them the tools they need to keep children safe from dangerous products; and

WHEREAS, KID has partnered with university engineering programs to incorporate design safety into the engineering curriculum, to keep safety at the forefront of design; and

WHEREAS, KID has launched a free online course for entrepreneurs and children's product designers to give them the tools they need to design, develop, and market products more safely; and

WHEREAS, KID has partnered with children's hospitals in Chicago to disseminate product safety information to families; and

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 19th day of April 2023, do hereby wish to honor Kids In Danger; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Kids In Danger as a sign of our honor and respect.

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BRENDAN REILLY Alderman, 42nd Ward