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Resolution

Congratulations extended to Darlene E. Mclendon

CONGRATULATIONS EXTENDED TO DARLENE E. MCLENDON ON RETIREMENT. AS PRINCIPAL OF NORTHSIDE LEARNING CENTER.

WHEREAS, Darlene E. McLendon, who worked to develop a strong functional academic curriculum and network of community-based programs, for "The Best School in the Universe", is retiring as Principal of the Northside Learning Center; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this occasion by The Honorable Margaret Laurino, Alderman of the 39th Ward; and

WHEREAS, Dariene E. McClendon, an advocate for all students with special needs, has devoted forty-one years to students with special needs in Chicago Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Dariene E. McClendon, began her career in 1970 as an English teacher at Jesse Spalding High School for Students with Physical Disabilities, continued there as a teacher, counselor, and Assistant Principal for twenty-one years before becoming Principal of Northside Learning Center in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Dariene E. McClendon, coordinated the Peer Intervention Program and the Strategic Teaching Project for all District 11 Chicago Public High Schools; and

WHEREAS, Dariene E. McClendon, mother of Andrew (Rosalia) Bochantin and Aran (Pacito) Robles, "Grammy" of Marijke, Caitlin and Natalie Bochantin and Ruben Robles; has worked to support all Chicago Public School Principals through her service on the Executive Board of the Chicago Principals and Administrators Association; and

WHEREAS, The leaders of this great City of Chicago are cognizant of the great debt owed our educators; now therefore,

Be *It Resolved*, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this eighth day of June, 2011, do hereby express our gratitude and heartiest congratulations to Dariene E. McClendon as she retires and we extend to this fine citizen our very best wishes for her continuing success and fulfillment; and

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Dariene E. McClendon.

Margaret Laurino

MARGARET LAURINO Alderman, 39th Ward

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