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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL  
MAYOR

July 29, 2015

TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a congratulatory resolution regarding Alethea Cotton.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Mayor



## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, With hearts full of best wishes for her future, mixed with regret to see her depart, the Members of this Chamber are pleased to congratulate Alethea Cotton, assistant director of the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (“DBACP”), on the occasion of her retirement; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Cotton grew up on 57<sup>th</sup> Street and Wabash Avenue in Chicago’s Washington Park neighborhood, where she attended Carter Elementary School and Betsy Ross Elementary School; and

**WHEREAS**, A graduate of Englewood High School, Ms. Cotton began her distinguished career with the City in 1987 as a public information assistant in the Department of Revenue. In 2006, Ms. Cotton was promoted to assistant director for business affairs and licensing, a position she held for nine years until her retirement this year; and

**WHEREAS**, As assistant director of DBACP, Ms. Cotton’s many responsibilities included processing business licenses; administering business-related intergovernmental agreements; facilitating the liquor license application process; and working with city departments to ensure speedy and prompt inspections of licensed businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, Affectionately known to her colleagues as “Miss Cotton,” Alethea was an exceptional role model and mentor, who willingly tackled difficult assignments with enthusiasm, professionalism and grace; and

**WHEREAS**, As DBACP’s aldermanic liaison, Alethea earned the respect of the Members of the City Council and of everyone who was fortunate enough to work with her, for her dedication, knowledge, patience and diplomacy; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Cotton looks forward in her retirement to traveling, socializing with her many friends, and possibly moving to a warmer climate; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this twenty-ninth day of July, 2015, do hereby congratulate Alethea Cotton on the occasion of her retirement; express to her our heartfelt gratitude for her many years of exemplary service to the residents of this great City; and extend to her our best wishes for continued health, happiness, prosperity and success; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of the resolution be presented to Ms. Alethea Cotton as a sign of our appreciation and esteem.