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Title: Congratulations extended to George's Hot Dogs on 65th anniversary

Committee(s) Assignment:

In Commemoration of the 65th Anniversary of George's Hot Dogs

WHEREAS, this year marks the 65th anniversary of George's Hot Dogs in the Bucktown neighborhood of Chicago, having originally started serving residents of the neighborhood and the city in the year 1948; and

WHEREAS, in the year 1948 George's Hot Dogs was purchased by Greek entrepreneur Vasilios Kotopoulos, starting a family business that would beget a legacy of community, service, and good food; and

WHEREAS, George's Hot Dogs is owned and operated by Chicago residents George Ziamparas, his wife and daughter of original owner Mary Ziamparas, and their son Tasso Ziamparas; and

WHEREAS, George's Hot Dogs has grown along with the Bucktown neighborhood over the past 65 years. Starting as just a small hot dog stand, George's menu and business has evolved into a diverse, unique and fresh restaurant, reflecting the way Bucktown has developed into a diverse and unique part of the city; and

WHEREAS, as a small family-run restaurant, George's has carved out a reputation in Bucktown by providing friendly service and affordable fresh food for four generations. Also noteworthy are the community ties and relationships that the Ziamparas family has built and maintained great neighborhood relationships with individuals, families, and groups in the area; and

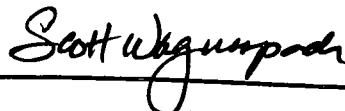
WHEREAS, George's has continuously sponsored little league sports teams and community and school events in the neighborhood. As deeply engrained members of the community, George's has worked with residents, and the police and fire departments to help keep the neighborhood of Bucktown safe and clean; and

WHEREAS, George's Hot Dogs has flourished to become a staple of the neighborhood, contributing to the overall history and uniqueness of Bucktown and the City of Chicago. This has resulted in George's becoming a destination eatery. As a featured stop on the Chicago Food Planet Tour they have garnered good publicity and tourism for Bucktown and the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, George's Hot Dogs serves a delicious and classic Chicago Style Hot Dog, topped with yellow mustard, chopped onions, relish, a dill pickle, tomato slices, sport peppers, celery salt, and absolutely no ketchup.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Mayor and members of the Chicago City Council, gathered here this eleventh day of September, 2013, do hereby congratulate George's Hot Dogs and extend our best wishes to their owners and staff; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to George Ziamparas, Mary Ziamparas, and Tasso Ziamparas.



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