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**RESOLUTION THANKING PRUSSING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STAFF, POLICE,
AND FIREFIGHTERS FOR THEIR ACTIONS ON OCTOBER 30, 2015**

WHEREAS, On the morning of October 30, 2015, a series of errors and malfunctions caused carbon monoxide to leak into Prussing Elementary School from a separate building containing the school's boiler; and

WHEREAS, The first indications of an issue were when some children and staff began to show symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning; and

WHEREAS, School officials acted quickly, contacting the Chicago Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Chicago Firefighters arrived quickly and, due to carbon monoxide detectors on their clothing, determined there was a dangerous amount of carbon monoxide in the air; and

WHEREAS, carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas that can cause death; and

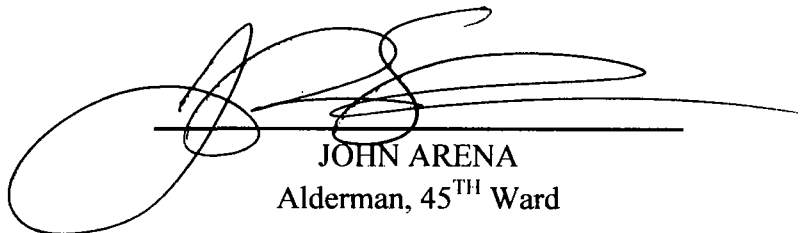
WHEREAS, Upon learning of the dangerous conditions in the school, teachers, administrators, police, and firefighters quickly evacuated the school to get the children to safety; and

WHEREAS, 90 students and teachers were ultimately transported to hospitals for potential carbon monoxide poisoning; and

WHEREAS, The outcome of this incident could have been much worse had teachers, administrators, police, and firefighters not acted quickly to keep students safe; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council, gathered together this 9th day of December, 2015, do hereby commend the teachers and administrators of Prussing Elementary School, the police of the Chicago Police Department, and the firefighters of the Chicago Fire Department, for their quick actions on October 30, 2015; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Prussing Elementary School.


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Alderman, 45TH Ward