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Committee on Health and Environmental Protection  
Joint Committee

Joint Health & Environment + Economic Development

**City of Chicago**

**Council Resolution**

**October 5, 2011**

WHEREAS no resident of the City of Chicago should have to be food insecure, and

WHEREAS "food insecurity" is defined as an individual being unsure of where their next meal will come from and the quality of that meal; and

WHEREAS 20.6%, or one in five, of the residents of the City of Chicago are experiencing food insecurity; and

WHEREAS food insecurity is experienced in every community area in the city of Chicago; and

WHEREAS a key component to addressing food deserts in Chicago is making individuals more food secure; and

WHEREAS the City of Chicago's Healthy Chicago plan addresses the need for residents to have access to healthy, affordable food to improve public health; and

WHEREAS federal funding for food and nutrition programs has not kept up with growing need for food among the food insecure, and

WHEREAS private donations of food to the Greater Chicago Food Depository and food pantries throughout Chicago have gone down; and

WHEREAS the Greater Chicago Food Depository is Chicago's food bank; and

WHEREAS each year the Greater Chicago Food Depository organizes One City, One Food Drive to collect food for those who are hungry in the Chicago region, and

WHEREAS the goal of One City, One Food Drive is to collect 1 million pounds of food during November and December 2011, and

WHEREAS the City of Chicago wants to fully support addressing food insecurity in the City of Chicago; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council call an end to food insecurity, and will pledge to work towards that end

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Mayor and the Chicago Council Members, assembled this day fifth day of October 2011, commit to being a full partner in One City, One Food Drive, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a joint hearing should be held by the Health & Environment Committee and the Economic Development Committee on food insecurity in Chicago.

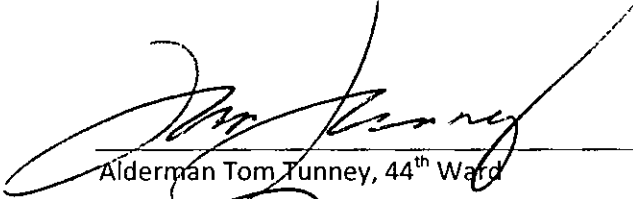


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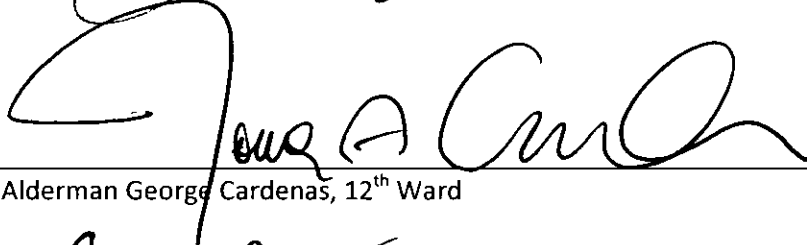
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Alderman Ameyia Pawar, 47<sup>th</sup> Ward



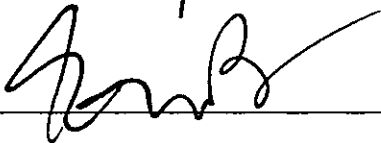
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Alderman George Cardenas, 12<sup>th</sup> Ward



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