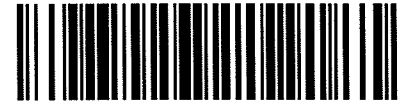




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A resolution

adopted by *The City Council*
of the *City of Chicago, Illinois*



Presented by MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL on MARCH 13, 2013

Whereas , On the morning of January 18, 2013, companies of the Chicago Fire Department responded to a call for help regarding a fire at 6433 South Marshfield Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Arriving at the scene, firefighters saw heavy smoke billowing from the second floor of a two-story building; and

WHEREAS, Following directions from Captain Mauricio Rodriguez, members of Engine Company 116 quickly ran a hose line to the second floor of the building; and

WHEREAS, Captain Rodriguez assisted with advancing the hose line through the extreme heat and smoke, and then he began looking for trapped residents. Captain Rodriguez soon heard muffled cries coming from the rear of the building; and

WHEREAS, Without regard for his own safety, Captain Rodriguez valiantly struggled through the poisonous atmosphere, and discovered two men lying unconscious on the kitchen floor. Another resident, weakened by the heat and fumes, was trying in vain to drag one of the victims out the back door; and

WHEREAS, Captain Rodriguez immediately came to his assistance, and together they moved the victim onto the rear porch. Realizing that time was of the essence, Captain Rodriguez then ran back into the burning structure and single-handedly pulled the second victim out to safety; and

WHEREAS, Once on the porch, Captain Rodriguez began life-saving resuscitation efforts and called for paramedics to meet him at the rear of the building. The two victims received immediate care to stabilize them, then were taken to a nearby hospital for treatment; and

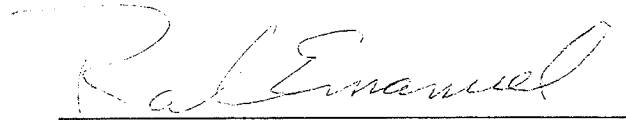
WHEREAS, Had it not been for the heroic, selfless actions of Captain Rodriguez, the results certainly would have been tragic. Credit also is due to Engine 116, Engine 101, Truck 41, Truck 50 and Squad 5 for their courageous, skillful efforts in fighting this fire and supporting Captain Rodriguez; and

WHEREAS, Captain Rodriguez and his comrades performed their duties in the highest tradition of the Chicago Fire Department and deserve our commendation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this thirteenth day of March, 2013, do hereby honor the skilled and valiant efforts of Captain Mauricio Rodriguez in saving two individuals from almost certain death; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Captain Mauricio Rodriguez of the City of Chicago Fire Department, and placed on permanent record in his personnel file, as a token of our appreciation and esteem.




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RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

March 13, 2013

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a congratulatory resolution concerning the Chicago Fire Department.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Mayor