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Title: Call for Chicago Office of Inspector General to negotiate and present intergovernmental agreement to provide aid and investigative capacity to Chicago Park District's Inspector General in investigating sexual assault, abuse and harassment among Chicago Park District's lifeguards

Committee(s) Assignment: Committee on Ethics and Government Oversight

**ORDER REGARDING AID TO BE PROVIDED TO THE
CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL**

WHEREAS, media reports have unveiled multiple allegations of sexual assault, abuse, and harassment with the ranks of the Chicago Park District's lifeguards; and

WHEREAS, those reports have alleged that such conduct has been prevalent within the ranks of the Chicago Park District's lifeguards for decades, indicating a systemic issue at the Chicago Park District; and

WHEREAS, the Inspector General of the Chicago Park District has indicated that her office's investigation of those allegations has been hampered by a lack of investigative resources; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Inspector General of the City of Chicago is a very high functioning investigatory office, as evidenced by its many years of work in uncovering fraud, waste, abuse, and criminality; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-56-030(i) of the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago allows for the Office of the Inspector General of the City of Chicago to exercise its investigative powers with sister agencies through intergovernmental agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Chicago Park District is a sister agency of the City of Chicago, as provided by Section 1-23-010 of the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, that the Office of the Inspector General of the City of Chicago negotiate and bring before the City Council of the City of Chicago an intergovernmental agreement between it and the Chicago Park District and its Office of the Inspector General; and

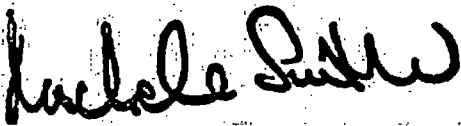
BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that such intergovernmental agreement provide for the Office of the Inspector General of the City of Chicago to provide aid and investigative capacity to the Chicago Park District's Office of the Inspector General in their investigation of sexual assault, abuse, and harassment among the Park District's lifeguards; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the aid outlined in such intergovernmental agreement shall take precedence over other investigations within the Office of the Inspector General of the City of Chicago, except for those investigations involving fraud, sexual harassment, or criminality; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Office of the Inspector General of the City of Chicago shall provide reports every 60 days on what aid has been provided to the Committee on Ethics and Government Oversight until such time as the investigation has concluded and its results released to the public.

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Alderman Scott Waguespack
32nd Ward- Chairman, Committee on Finance

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Michele Smith
43rd Ward- Chairwoman, Ethics Committee