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## Legislation Text

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## RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEXICAN PATRIOTIC CLUB

WHEREAS, The Mexican Patriotic Club is the oldest Mexican community organization in the City of Chicago, and has proudly served the southeast side of Chicago for 77 years; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed body has been informed of the organization's achievements by the Honorable Susan Sadlowski Garza, Alderman of the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, the organization has helped Latinos throughout the Chicago area by recognizing and celebrating Mexican culture, providing scholarships, supporting youth and confronting social injustice; and

WHEREAS, The organization created the Laura Cruz Scholarship Fund to encourage Latinos to attend college, and has awarded over \$80,000 since the scholarship began; and

WHEREAS, Community involvement is a key component of the Club's mission. The Mexican Patriotic Club has hosted voter registration drives, sponsored winter coat giveaways, delivered Easter baskets to community women's shelters and donated computers to the Ada S. McKinley Neighborhood House; and

WHEREAS, The Mexican Patriotic Club consistently demonstrates their commitment to children by hosting educational fieldtrips and sponsoring a first place softball team, a young men's baseball team and a basketball team at Rowan Park; and

WHEREAS, The Mexican Patriotic Club is also politically conscious, sponsoring four buses to the "March on Washington" in 1996 to support immigrant rights and has led many other marches throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, The Club also recognizes the contribution and sacrifice of area educators, and annually, hosts a Cinco de Mayo Educators' Recognition Luncheon; and

WHEREAS, the organization has played a critical role in supporting their community, leading political initiatives, and providing support to Latinos and Chicagoans for over 77 years; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016, do hereby congratulate the Mexican Patriotic Club for their tremendous work throughout our city.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Mexican Patriotic Club as a sign of our admiration and appreciation. a

Susan Sadlowski Garza Alderman, 10th Ward

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