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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Gary Shapiro has announced his retirement from the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Illinois following forty-three years of distinguished service; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this event by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

WHEREAS, A veteran prosecutor, Gary Shapiro was named Acting United States Attorney following the departure of Patrick J. Fitzgerald in 2012 and served in that role until the naming of Zachary T. Fardon; and

WHEREAS, Gary Shapiro previously served for fourteen years as First Assistant United States Attorney; and

WHEREAS, As First Assistant United State Attorney beginning in 1998 and in his earlier role as Criminal Chief, Gary Shapiro played a leading role in supervising a variety of investigations and prosecutions involving international terrorism and terrorism financing, public corruption, corporate fraud, and organized crime, including violent crime and narcotics and gang prosecutions; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Gary Shapiro managed more than 300 employees, including approximately 170 Assistant U.S. Attorneys in Chicago and Rockford; and

WHEREAS, Prior to serving as Chief of the Criminal Division and the First Assistant, Gary Shapiro worked in the Department of Justice in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, From 1984 until 1990, Gary Shapiro oversaw all organized crime prosecutions in Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, The Northern District of Illinois covers 18 counties across the top tier of the state, with a population of approximately nine million people; and

WHEREAS, A native of New York City, Gary Shapiro was raised in Dallas, Texas and graduated from Rice University and the University of Texas School of Law; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Gary Shapiro serve as an example to all; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twelfth day of November, 2014, do hereby express our sincere gratitude to Gary Shapiro on the occasion of his

retirement from the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Illinois; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Gary Shapiro. ~