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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL MAYOR

November 26, 2013

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith, together with Alderman Moore, a congratulatory resolution concerning Betty Brewer.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Mayor

Very truly yours,

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adopted by Tllg Qittj GoUHcil of the Qity of Qhicago, Illinois

ALDERMAN JOE MOORE

presented by MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL

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QY&CIS ' ®ⁿ August 4, 2013, twelve-year-old Reniah Eubanks was walking to a nearby convenience store in Rogers Park to get a popsicle; and

WHEREAS, Before she arrived at the store, a man leaned out of a dark green SUV and asked her where she was going. The young girl replied that she was going to the store. The man in the SUV then said that he could take her home; and

WHEREAS, Not knowing the man, Reniah Eubanks then rushed into the convenience store on the 7600 block of Paulina Street; and

WHEREAS, Betty Brewer, a customer in the store, heard the youngster ask the cashier if she could stay in the store for a little while. She then told the cashier that there was a man outside whom she didn't know who wanted to take her home; and

WHEREAS, Betty Brewer offered to accompany the girl home. As Ms. Brewer and the little girl left the store, the girl pointed out the stranger in the SUV. Ms. Brewer then walked up to the SUV, confronted the man and asked him if he was trying to take the little girl home; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Brewer's forthright, unafraid manner intimidated the man, and he left in his SUV. As the vehicle departed, Ms. Brewer had the presence of mind to write down his license plate number so she could provide that information to the police; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Brewer promptly called the police to report what she had seen and to provide the license plate number. She then took the little girl safely home. The little girl later said she was grateful for Miss Brewer's crucial, timely assistance; and

WHEREAS, Armed with the information provided by Ms. Brewer, including the license plate number, the Chicago Police Department arrested the suspect later that day. He was charged with one count of felony child abduction/luring and held on \$100,000 bail; and

WHEREAS, Betty Brewer is a sterling example of what citizenship is all about. Caring for others is everyone's responsibility and we are a better city thanks to people like Betty Brewer; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this twenty-sixth day of November, 2013, do hereby honor Betty Brewer for her bravery and good citizenship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Betty Brewer as a token of our gratitude and esteem.