

the same scale as sale of narcotics; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Mayor, and the members of the Chicago City Council do hereby urge the Governor of the State of Illinois and the Illinois General Assembly to reduce the statewide cigarette tax by \$1.00 back to \$0.98-per-pack and the Cook County Board President and Cook County Board of Commissioners to repeal the countywide \$2.00-per-pack increases in cigarette taxes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we, the Mayor, and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this thirteenth day of March, 2013, do hereby call upon representatives of the Departments of Police, Business Affairs and Consumer Protection, and Public Health, as well as local retail merchants to appear before the City Council Committee on Public Safety to discuss crime due to the sale of illegal and single cigarettes within the City of Chicago and ways to remedy the problem, and to explore the viability and advisability of rolling back cigarette taxes to reduce crime.