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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL MAYOR

April 19,2017

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith, together with Aldermen Reboyras, Austin and David Moore, congratulatory resolution concerning the Chicago Police Department.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Mayor

Very truly yours,

abpud by Tlie Gity Gouncil »/^ Gity of Ghicago, Illinois

\ Aldermen Ariel Reboyras, Carrie M. Austin, David Moore, and resented by Mayor Rahm Emanuel ' ok

'Whereas. On the evening of June 10/2016; Detective Donovan Jackson (Star #20958) of the Chicago Police Department^ and. Firefighter Rylenski Strong of the Chicago Fire Department were off-duty'and riding jet-skis in Lake Michigan; near the 6500 block of South Lake Shore Drive; and ;' . . - ■;■;> ;;

WHEREAS, Detective Jackson, an eighteen-year veteran of the Chicago Police Department, . and ' Firefighter Strong,, a sixteen-year - veteran of the Chicago Fire" Department, have been.friends for.over 30 years, and both-are former high school ,, swimmers and lifeguards; and :-s ' * ■' '•• ...

WHEREAS, Detective Jackson'and Firefighter Strong immediately came to their :.. aid, called. 911., and'learned. that g fifth boater was stili missing; and, ; ...v '.

WHEREAS, Detective Jackson and Firefighter Strong.' quickly located'lhe fifth •' "" victim, who was under the boat and able to breathe thdnks to an air pocket; and • .--

- WHEREAS, Detective Jackson and Firefighter Strong', aware of the cold, water temperature, knew the victims were in danger of hypothermia; and •-

WHEREAS, Detective Jackson and' Firefighter Strong, without delay, shuttled the ' • ■ victims ashore, where emergency personnefwere waiting;.and. ■-. ■ ^ . :X:~:-V

WHEREAS, the victims, were 'treated and released; and suffered ho¹ serious injuries;

WH£REAS,.Defective- Jackson and Firefighter Strong are to be commended for the

courage, bravery, and dedication they displayed, in rescuing the five, victims of the capsized boat; and

WHEREAS, Detective Jackson and Firefighter Strong represent the highest tradition of service and professionalism for which members of the Chicago Police Department and the Chicago Fire Department are well known; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this nineteenth day of April, 2017, do hereby commend Detective Donovan Jackson and Firefighter Rylensfo Strong for their skill and courage in rendering vital assistance to a group of boaters in desperate need; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to

Defective Jackson and Firefighter Strong, and placed on permanent record in their personnel-files; as a token of our appreciation and esteem.