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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF DANIEL M. MARTINEZ

WHEREAS, Sergeant Daniel M. Martinez, proud veteran of the United States Marine Corps, loving son, brother, grandson, nephew, cousin, and friend, entered eternity on March 19, 2022 at 23 years of age; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of Daniel's passing by the Honorable Michael D. Rodriguez, Alderman of the 22nd Ward; and

WHEREAS, Daniel was born on October 19, 1998 to his parents, Manuel and Apolonia Martinez (nee Rodriguez); he served for four years in the United States Marine Corps, in the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit in the 3rd Assault Amphibious Battalion, 1st Marine Division, at Camp Pendleton, California; and

WHEREAS, An adventurer at heart, Daniel traveled to places such as Hawaii, Guam, Japan, Jordan, and Oman and had plans to visit Thailand; he also had a creative mind and a budding interest in photography, filmography, and video editing, and paired his love of travel with his passion for film and documented his adventures; and

WHEREAS, A free spirit, Daniel actively pursued sports such as martial arts, skiing, surfing, and skateboarding; he was a recent member of the Chicago Thai Boxing Academy and wanted to study the martial art of "Muay Thai"; and

WHEREAS, A light-hearted individual with a caring and compassionate soul and great sense of humor, Daniel knew how to laugh at himself and brighten anyone's day with his jokes and stories; he found joy in bringing people together, whether it was for a family vacation or Thanksgiving dinner with his fellow marines, he would give the shirt off his back to help a family member or friend in need; and

WHEREAS, Daniel took the initiative to be a provider to those who needed assistance and was a leader to those who needed guidance; and

WHEREAS, A born again Christian, Daniel let the light of Christ shine through his spirit during his time on this earth; and

WHEREAS, Daniel leaves behind to cherish his memories, his parents; Manuel and Apolonia; his siblings, Micaela, Luke, Matthew, David, Celia, and Rebecca; his grandparents, Amalia and the late Jesus Martinez, and Noemi and Jesus Rodriguez; his aunts, uncles, cousins, and countless friends from his hometown and the Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Daniel will be deeply missed by his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this twenty

-seventh day of April, 2022, do hereby extend our most heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Sergeant Daniel M. Martinez; and

MICHAEL D. RODRIGUEZ Alderman, 22nd Ward

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Sergeant Daniel M. Martinez as a sign of our honor and respect.