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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

LORI E. LIGHTFOOT MAYOR

December 14, 2022

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a resolution congratulating Alderman Cardenas for his public service. Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, In recognition of his leadership and appreciation of his tireless work improving the lives of residents ofthe 12th Ward and all Chicagoans through zealous advocacy as a member ofthe City Council, the Members ofthis Chamber are pleased to congratulate Alderman George A. Cardenas, on the occasion of his election to the Cook County Board of Review; and

WHEREAS, George Cardenas has lived in Chicago since he was a young child when his family moved from his birthplace of Durango, Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Alderman Cardenas received a high school diploma from Lane Technical High School before joining the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, After he was honorably discharged from the Navy, Alderman Cardenas earned a bachelor's degree and master's degree from Northeastern Illinois University- before working for a variety of Fortune 500 companies; and

WHEREAS, George Cardenas was first elected Alderman in 2003 and re-elected four times; and

WHEREAS, Since 2011, George Cardenas has chaired the Environmental Protection and Energy Committee where he has helped to ensure a clean and prosperous future for all Chicagoans; and

WHEREAS, As Alderman, George Cardenas has successfully campaigned to increase Chicago's minimum wage, fundamentally reform business policies, and increase transparency in City government; and

WHEREAS, Alderman Cardenas has recruited multiple new businesses and developments to serve the constituents of the 12th Ward; and

WHEREAS, George Cardenas led the fight to create a Mental Health Service Task Force; and

WHEREAS, George Cardenas has hosted numerous community events to help best serve his constituents and to be accessible to them; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this fourteenth day of December 2022, do hereby congratulate George Cardenas on the occasion of his election as Commissioner of the Cook County Board of Review; express to him our heartfelt gratitude for his exemplary service to the residents of our great City; and extend to him our best wishes for continued success in his new role; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Alderman George Cardenas as a sign of our appreciation and esteem.