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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

May 28, 2014

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith, together with Alderman Patrick O'Connor, a congratulatory resolution concerning the Builders Association.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.
Mayor

Very truly yours,

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*adopted by The City Council
of the City of Chicago, Illinois*

ALDERMAN PATRICK J. O'CONNOR

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MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL on

^tyQIIBtBCIS . The Builders Association has been the premier commercial construction industry organization in Chicago since 1906; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, signed development contracts reached their highest level in five years, with member contractors securing \$8.5 billion worth of deals for development in Chicago and the surrounding 13-county metro area, a 16.5 percent increase from 2012 and 44 percent higher than the post-crash trough of \$5.9 billion in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Construction has supported 128,400 jobs in the Chicago metropolitan area in these last few years - seven full-service hotels have been built, and, by the end of this summer, there will be 25 tower cranes up and working across the city, as compared to only 11 in 2011; and

WHEREAS, While sustaining this financial success is crucial, the Builders Association is equally committed to promoting the safety of the thousands of our citizens who work on construction sites every day; and

WHEREAS, The Builders Association, through its Safety and Health Committee, provides, among other services, training programs, safety awards, training videos, and safety forums for the construction industry; and

WHEREAS, The Builders Association has joined with the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), establishing a collaborative relationship aimed at fostering safer and more healthful construction work sites; and

WHEREAS, The Builders Association's Safety and Health Committee planned and led the construction industry's first ever "Safety Stand Down" in June 2013; and

WHEREAS, The 2013 "Safety Stand Down" was a huge success, with participating contractors temporarily shutting down their job sites to devote their energy to the promotion of workplace safety; and

WHEREAS, Partnering with OSHA to take its "Safety Stand Down" program nationwide, the Builders Association will promote June 2nd through 6th, 2014, as a week dedicated to education on workplace safety; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of Chicago, gathered this twenty-eighth day of May, 2014, do hereby extend our sincere gratitude to the Builders Association for protecting our citizens in the workplace, and proclaim the week of June 2nd through 6th, 2014, as "Construction Industry Safety Stand Down Week" in the City of Chicago; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be prepared and presented to representatives of the Builders Association as a token of our respect and good wishes.