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CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL MAYOR

November 12, 2014

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a congratulatory resolution concerning the Chicago Police Department.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Mayor

Very truly yours,

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asked to take his girlfriend's seven-year-old daughter for a walk to buy pizza on the 8600 block of South Burnham Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Once they were alone, the man told the girl that he had a secret to tell her, and he directed her into an alley and behind an abandoned house. The man threatened to kill the girl if she made noise, and, when she began to cry, he punched her, covered her face, and then violently sexually assaulted her; and

WHEREAS, When the child returned home, naked from the waist down and covered in mud and bruises, her mother contacted the police, but the child's assailant had fled the area; and

WHEREAS, Chicago Police Detectives Moreen K. Hanrahan (Star #20565), James E. Browne (Star #20026), Jose L. Castaneda (Star #21273), James F. Corcoran (Star # 20952), Sean B. Ford (Star #20203) and Ronald A. Jasica (Star # 20420) were tasked with investigating this violent crime; and

WHEREAS, The detectives' determination for swift justice was fueled further when they discovered that the man had sent taunting messages to the victim's mother's telephone bragging about his crime; and

WHEREAS, While the girl recovered from her injuries, the detectives worked around the clock to find the man, who had told associates that he was going to disappear, and they arrested him 72 hours later as he entered Union Station; and

WHEREAS, During the interrogation of the subject, the man compounded the great evil of his acts by claiming that the seven-year-old girl was the aggressor; and

WHEREAS, These detectives tenaciously and professionally carried out each aspect of the investigation, given the immense time pressures and dire consequences for failure. Due to their extraordinary efforts on behalf of an innocent seven-year-old victim, the man was charged with predatory criminal sexual assault and faces a 180-year prison sentence; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this twelfth day of November, 2014, do hereby honor Chicago Police Officers Moreen K. Hanrahan, James E. Browne, Jose L. Castaneda, James F. Corcoran, Sean B. Forde and Ronald A. Jasica for their devotion to duty, and for their exemplary police work, in the face of such a heinous crime; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to each named police officer, and placed on permanent record in his or her personnel file, as a token of our gratitude and esteem.

MAYOR

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