OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

May 18, 2016

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith, together with Aldermen Brookins and Smith, a congratulatory resolution concerning the 2016 Posse Scholars.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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ALDERMAN HOWARD B. BROOKINS ALDERMAN MICHELE SMITH MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL

^QIIBTGCIS > Tne Posse Foundation provides educational opportunities to public high school students with exceptional academic and leadership potential who may have been overlooked by traditional college selection processes; and

WHEREAS, The Posse Foundation identifies, recruits and trains student leaders nominated by their high school to form multicultural teams called "Posses," consisting of 10 to 12 Posse Scholars; and

WHEREAS, Posse Scholars undergo an intensive, eight-month, pre-collegiate training program to prepare them for enrollment at prestigious colleges and universities nationwide, in a welcoming campus environment that promotes understanding, collaboration and cross-cultural communication; and

WHEREAS, One of the most comprehensive and renowned college access and youth leadership development programs in the United States, the Posse Foundation partners with top-tier colleges and universities to provide each Posse Scholar with a four-year, full-tuition, leadership scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Since the Posse Foundation was established in 1989, its educational partners have awarded $806 million in scholarships to students nationwide, and $144 million in scholarships to Chicago students, to expand the pool of outstanding, diverse college graduates; and

WHEREAS, The Posse Foundation collaborated with all of Chicago's Public High Schools to identify its 2016 Posse Scholars; and

WHEREAS, This year, 110 extraordinarily qualified Chicago Public High School students were selected to become Posse Scholars. These enormously talented students will continue to pursue personal and academic excellence at twelve top-tier colleges and universities across the Country; and

WHEREAS, All of Chicago is tremendously proud of the hard work and dedication of its Posse Scholars. They are the pride and future of Chicago; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this eighteenth day of May, 2016, do hereby congratulate the following Chicago Public School students named Posse Scholars: Paulo Aco, Von Steuben Metropolitan Science Center, Jervon Adams, Austin Polytech; DeShawn Adams, V.O.I.S.E. Academy; Eder Aguilar Noble Street - Rauner; Anayansi Alatorre Romo, Noble Street College Prep; Emilio Araujo, Payton College Preparatory High School; Rosalia Arroyo, Roosevelt High School; Alan Avila, Noble Street College Prep; Jose Barrera Jr., Kenwood Academy High School; JeNaye Beavers, Lindblom Math and Science Academy High School; Mirjan Broderick, Whitney Young Magnet High School; Evan Brooks, Lincoln Park High School; Paloma Camarena Sevilla, Curie Metropolitan High School; Dulce Cedillo, Noble Street -

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Rauner; Karissa Marie Cerda, Instituto Health Sciences Career Academy; Kevin Cheung, Whitney Young Magnet High School; Julia Comacchio, Lane Technical High School; David Cordero, CICS - Northtown Campus; Andres Correa, Payton College Preparatory High School; Eddie Cotton, Wells Community Academy High SchoolfEileen Davila, Taft High School; Mayra Deleon, Phoenix Military Academy; Manali Desai, Lane Technical High School; Bryan Diaz, Noble Street - Rowe-Clark; Marissa Domantay, Noble Street - UIC College Prep; Jordan Duncan, Perspectives - Leadership Academy Campus; Fatima Escalera, Noble Street - Pritzker; Abigail Escobar, Noble Street - Golder; Omar Espino, Lane Technical High School; Keith Ferguson, Jones College Preparatory High School; Jennifer Figueroa, Noble Street - Pritzker; Angelica Rose Galvan, Von Steuben Metropolitan Science Center; Juan Garcia, Phoenix Military Academy; Sosna Gellaw, Jones College Preparatory High School; Andrew Gonzalez, Northside College Preparatory High School; Anais Gonzalez Nyberg, Jones College Preparatory High School; Asia Green, Lindblom Math and Science Academy High School; Kimberly Gutierrez, Lane Technical High School; Dina Habibovic, Amundsen High School; Vershawn Hansen, Von Steuben Metropolitan Science Center; Kristen Harris, Saint Ignatius College Prep; Jesse He, Jones College Preparatory High School; Danyel Hudson, Von Steuben Metropolitan Science Center; Maria Ishak, Lane Technical High School; Victor Iturralde, Jones College Preparatory High School; Jada Jackson, Morgan Park High School; Nefertia Jones, Morgan Park High School; Maxymilian Karkut, Taft

High School; Tenzin Kunsang, Lincoln Park High School; Najee London, Loyola Academy High School; Zachary Lee, Whitney Young Magnet High School; Mayra Leon, Lane Technical High School; Kamil Lungu, Lane Technical High School; Debbie Machuca, Von Steuben Metropolitan Science Center; Roman Magallanes, George Washington High School; Jasmin Mallares, Noble Street College Prep; Justin Martinez, Global Citizenship Experience; Jonathan Martinez, Noble Street - Pritzker; Selvyn Martinez, Phoenix Military Academy, Fiona McNichols, Whitney Young Magnet High School; Rut Merida, Noble Street -Rauner; Giana Moreno, Trinity High School for Girls; Khyla Morgan, Orr Academy High School; Michelle Navarro, Solorio Academy; Gervonne Ngoumba, Global Citizenship Experience; Vanessa Ocampo, Solorio Academy; Alina Panek, Lane Technical High School; Estefania Perez, Trinity High School for Girls; Maithuy Pham, Northside College Preparatory High School; Haris Prasovic, Taft High School; Ana Reyes-Rosado, Noble Street - Pritzker; Isabella Rios, Jones College Preparatory High School; Neve Rivera, Jones College Preparatory High School; Diana Rodriguez, Juarez Community Academy High School; Lucia Rodriguez, Von Steuben Metropolitan Science Center; Mayra Rosas, George Washington High School; Jesus Ruiz, Whitney Young Magnet High School; Issa Saba, CICS -Northtown Campus; Maiquie Sabinano, CICS - Northtown Campus; Hector Salazar, Jones College Preparatory High School; Jimmy Sanchez, Noble Street -Muchin; Lesly Santos, Noble Street - Rowe-Clark; Tia Schaffer, Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School; Anna Shats, Lane Technical High School; Aida Shilwa, Taft High School; Raamish Siddiqui, Senn High School; Mireya Sierra, Noble Street - Pritzker; Arturo Simental, Payton College Preparatory High School; Brian Smith, George Washington High School; Kyle Smith, Noble--Hansberry College Prep; Lisette Soto, Noble Street - UIC College Prep; Tabatha Sotomayor, Lane Technical High School; Biana Speed,

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Sullivan High School; Maia Spires, Noble Street - DRW College Prep; Abigail Torres, Juarez Community Academy High School; Jasmine Torres, Noble Street - Pritzker; Netwin Trieu, Mather High School; Shawn Trimble, Saint Ignatius College Prep; Daisy Tucto, CICS - Northtown Campus; Christian Urend, Noble Street - UIC College Prep; Graciela Valencia, Noble Street - Pritzker; Rene Valenzuela, Lane Technical High School; Sabrina Vera, Taft High School; Viridiana Villalva, Noble Street College Prep; Antonio Villegas, Noble Street - Muchin; Je'la Walton, NLCP - Collins Campus; Sabrina Wieczorek, Taft High School; DaQuan Williams, Chicago High School for the Arts; Tarique Williams, Clemente Community Academy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to each of these exemplary Chicago Public High School students as a token of our respect and of our best wishes for a bright and prosperous future.

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