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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL MAYOR

April 19, 2017

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith, together with Aldermen Reboyras, Austin and David Moore, congratulatory resolution concerning the Chicago Police Department.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Mayor

Very truly yours,

*abpud by Tlie Gity Gouncil »/^ Gity of  
Ghicago, Illinois*

\ Aldermen Ariel Reboyras, Carrie M. Austin,  
David Moore, and

resented by Mayor Rahm Emanuel ' ok

**'Whereas.** On the evening of June 10/2016; Detective Donovan Jackson (Star #20958) of the Chicago Police Department^ and. Firefighter Rylenski Strong of the Chicago Fire Department were off-duty'and riding jet-skis in Lake Michigan; near the 6500 block of South Lake Shore Drive; and ;,' . . . - ■;■;> ;;

WHEREAS, Detective Jackson, an eighteen-year veteran of the Chicago Police Department, . and ' Firefighter Strong,, a sixteen-year - veteran of the Chicago Fire" Department, have been.friends for.over 30 years, and both-are former high school ,, swimmers and lifeguards; and :-s ' \* ■' '•• ...

WHEREAS, Detective Jackson'and Firefighter Strong immediately came to their :.. aid, called. 911., and'learned. that g fifth boater was stili missing; and, ; ...v '.

WHEREAS, Detective Jackson and Firefighter Strong.' quickly located'lhe fifth •' "" victim, who was under the boat and able to breathe thdnks to an air pocket; and • .--

- WHEREAS, Detective Jackson and Firefighter Strong', aware of the cold, water temperature, knew the victims were in danger of hypothermia; and •-

WHEREAS, Detective Jackson and' Firefighter Strong, without delay, shuttled the ' • ■ victims ashore, where emergency personnefwere waiting;.and. ■-. ■ ^ .:X:^^-V

WHEREAS, the victims, were 'treated and released; and suffered ho<sup>1</sup> serious injuries;

WH£REAS,.Defective- Jackson and Firefighter Strong are to be commended for the . courage, bravery, and dedication .they;,displayed, in rescuing the five, victims of the ' capsized.boat; and ' .-. \4?> ./ - .,v:". ' 'X. .

' WHEREAS, Detective Jqc.ksonand^ represent the highest tradition . .of service and .professionalism for which members of the Chicago Police Department;,: -and the Chicago Fire Department are well known; now;:, therefore, - ...

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of'.the City Council of the City' " : of Chicago, assembled this nineteenth day of April, 2017, ^do hereby commend " Detective Donovan Jackson and Firefighter Rylensfo'-'Strong for their skill

and courage in . . rendering vital assistance to a group of boaters in desperate need;  
and ■■■■■■'

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That-suitable copies of this resolution  
be presented to.

Defective Jackson and Firefighter Strong, and placed on permanent  
record in; their

personnel-files; as a token of our appreciation and-esteem. •• /'-. : . ; " ' :  
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