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**A resolution honoring Fiesta Mexicans in Chicago's Uptown Neighborhood and declaring October 31, 2020
"Fiesta Mexicana Day" in the City of Chicago.**

WHEREAS, our Chicago City Council recognizes the extraordinary challenges facing the restaurant industry in the wake of the COVID pandemic; and

WHEREAS, we honor those restaurants which are both providing valuable jobs and giving back to the communities they served in these difficult times; and

WHEREAS, Fiesta Mexicana, located at 4806 N. Broadway in Chicago's Uptown Neighborhood, opened in 1979 and is the oldest continually operating restaurant in Uptown and in the 46th Ward; and

WHEREAS, Fiesta Mexicana has been family owned and woman operated for all of those 41 years, being founded by Peruvian immigrant Lucy Matthew and now managed by her daughter Tania D'Agostino; and

WHEREAS, Fiesta Mexicana Founder Lucy Matthew was a community philanthropist who provided financial support for countless individuals to pursue education, entrepreneurship, home-ownership and the American Dream; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 Lucy Matthew received the national Tumi USA award for her entrepreneurship and her service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Tania D'Agostino, following her mother's example, partnered with NeighborFoodMeals.org to keep Fiesta Mexicana employing 90% of its workers during the COVID pandemic and providing meals to Chicagoans that are food insecure; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor, and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this 7th Day of October 2020, do hereby express our profound gratitude to Fiesta Mexicana for its contributions to the community; and

Alderman James Cappleman 46th Ward

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, We proclaim October 31, 2020, as Fiesta Mexicana Day in the City of Chicago.