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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF DON JOSE MORENO

WHEREAS, Don Jose Moreno, husband, father, grandfather, and friend, passed away on April 15, 2022, at the age of 99; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of Jose's passing by the Honorable Michael D. Rodriguez, Alderman of the 22nd Ward; and

WHEREAS, Don Jose was born in 1923 in San Luis Potosi, Mexico, and immigrated to the United States in 1941; he moved to Chicago in the late 1950s to work in the railroad industry and pursue his dream of starting his own business; and

WHEREAS, Don Jose's dream came true in 1966 when he opened La Escondida, a grocery store in Little Village which was one of the first Mexican businesses in the neighborhood; a few years later he closed La Escondida and opened La Popular which closed in 1975; and

WHEREAS, In 1977, Don Jose gave his son, Mike Moreno, a small loan to open Moreno's Liquors, which remains open today; Don Jose would help open and close the store while still working at Chicago North Western Railway; and

WHEREAS, Don Jose's passion was spending time with his family, playing loteria with his friends, and helping his neighbors with home repairs; Don Jose had a strong work ethic, treated everyone with respect, and was loved by all who crossed his path; and

WHEREAS, Don Jose was the loving husband of Antonia; beloved father of Guadalupe Salinas, Mike Moreno, Victoria Perez, Hipolito Moreno, Anthony Moreno, Concepcion Moreno, Luis Moreno, Consuelo Garcia and the late Paula Mayora, Jose Moreno Jr., and Jesus Moreno, and a cherished grandfather and great-grandfather; and

WHEREAS, Don Jose's spirit will be dearly missed by his family, friends, and all who loved him; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this twenty-seventh day of April, 2022, do hereby extend our most heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Don Jose Moreno; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Don Jose Moreno as a sign of our honor and respect.

MICHAEL D. RODRIGUEZ Alderman,
22nd Ward