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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, LOUISE McCURRY, was taught by her father that "You were put on earth to make a difference;

WHEREAS, Louise's Motto is "Make the World a Better Place for the Children;"

WHEREAS, Louise has been a member of Jackson Park Advisory Council since 1983 and has been President of the Council since 2010;

WHEREAS, over the years Louise has been instrumental in encouraging and organizing thousands of volunteers to clean up Jackson Park, Burnham Park, Bixler Park, Cornell Park, Harold Washington Park, and many more;

WHEREAS, Louise organized groups to remove the invasive species from the park area around LaRabida Children's Hospital;

WHEREAS, Louise was a fierce advocate for the parks, and has appeared before the Chicago Park District Board for many times to address improvements to Jackson Park;

WHEREAS, Louise has fought for the restoration of the Iowa House since 2016;

WHEREAS, Louise always encouraged activities for young people in the park, and subsequently formed a soccer program in the 1980s that is currently going strong;

WHEREAS, Louise was a Coach for the Hyde Park American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO);

WHEREAS, Louise believes that parental involvement is the key to success in the soccer program, and trains parents to be soccer coaches and referees;

WHEREAS, Louise is a firm believer that when you teach children about botany, ecology, birds and butterflies, they become better stewards of the park;

WHEREAS, Louise drove to Chicago through a blinding snowstorm in December 1969 to visit her brother and remained here;

WHEREAS, Louise is the mother of five adult sons, who she considers to be geniuses;

WHEREAS, Louise has worked in the Healthcare profession for 50 years, both in Chicago and the suburbs;

WHEREAS, Louise is the Committee Chair of the Hyde Park Kenwood Community Conference where she volunteers her time;

WHEREAS, Louise has had an impact in the Hyde Park community for over 50 years in the following

areas: Education, Health, Housing, Women's Rights, and Children's Welfare.

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this 21st day of September, 2022, do hereby honor the service of LOUISE McCURRY, and extend our sincere congratulations for her service to the community, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that suitable copies of this Resolution be presented to LOUISE McCURRY as a sign of our good wishes.

Alderman Leslie A. Hairston 5th Ward