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COMMEMORATING THE LIFE OF ALEXANDER "ALEX" MEDINA

WHEREAS, Alexander "Alex" Medina was born on September 16, 1963 in California, and later lived in Juarez, Chihuahua for 8 years; and

WHEREAS, in 1971, Alex and his family moved to the Little Village neighborhood and lived at 30th and Christiana; and

WHEREAS, Alex attended McCormick Elementary through 4th grade and then transferred to Gary Elementary where he was an avid baseball player; and

WHEREAS, Alex graduated 8th grade in 1979 and attended the prestigious Whitney M. Young Magnet High School, excelling in math and music; and

WHEREAS, Alex attended DeVry Technical Institute and received his certification in his early twenties and became an electrical apprentice in 1988, and was a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local Union 134 for 27 years; and

WHEREAS, Alex was assigned to electrical maintenance at McCormick Place before moving to Navy Pier where he worked as the head electrician and conducted the set-up and sound check for famous artists at the Pier's concert venues; and

WHEREAS, inspired by Carlos Santana, Jimi Hendrix, and Eric Clapton, along with other renowned guitar virtuosos, Alex developed a love for playing guitar and joined various local bands and was invited to perform with many other musicians; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Alex amassed a collection of guitars, which he would play for guests at block parties; and

WHEREAS, Alex shared all his talents, skills and friendship with the community of musicians that were part of his extended family; and

WHEREAS, Alex also became committed to social change through electoral political action at the local, state and national levels in the 80's; which continued to the present; and

WHEREAS, Alex was known throughout the years as one of the 22nd Ward's top precinct captains for his ability to relate and assist voters, always giving of himself; and

WHEREAS, Alex's civic engagement earned him the reputation of the committed political community activist; and

WHEREAS, Alex was a loving, caring father to his daughter Tali Sol Medina; and

WHEREAS, Alex was very active in his daughter's schooling and extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, Tali Sol was Alex's heart and soul and he always wanted to guide her to see her successes and failures as growing experiences; and

WHEREAS, Alex was loving and dedicated to all who surrounded him: his immediate family, his musician brothers and sisters, his political brothers and sisters, and friends; and

WHEREAS, Alex's family and friends mourn his loss but his memory will forever be in their hearts, prayers and thoughts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners commemorates the life and legacy of Alexander "Alex" Medina.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Alex Medina.

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