

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago is a world-renowned melting point of cultural and ethnic diversity going back nearly two centuries since its incorporation in March, 1837; and,

WHEREAS, The Honorable Raymond Lopez, Alderman of the 15th Ward and proud great grandson of Poland, has recognized Polish American Heritage Month this October, 2023 before this august body; and,

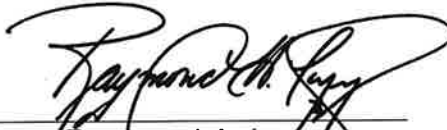
WHEREAS, The Polish community, commonly known as Polonia, has been an integral and vital part of the fabric in the near northwest side, southside, lower west side, and far south side of the City of Chicago; and,

WHEREAS, Polonia grew beyond their original patches, becoming embedded in every community across the city, bringing with them their cultural richness, culinary treats, faith and family devotion, and exceptional work ethic; and,

WHEREAS, The Polish community across the City of Chicago proudly celebrates their heritage through many organizations throughout the city including the Polish American Congress, the Polish National Alliance, the Polish Museum of America, Polish Highlanders Alliance of North America, the Polish American Chamber of Commerce, and many more; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 6th Day of October, 2023, join together in celebration of the cultural richness of Polonia to the City of Chicago; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, That the City of Chicago celebrates this month of October as Polish American Heritage Month with the greater Polish community of Chicagoland.



Raymond A. Lopez
Alderman, 15th Ward