

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Francisco “Paco” Cervantes Garcia has been called home by the Almighty to receive his eternal reward after a life well lived; and,

WHEREAS, The Honorable Julia Ramirez, Alderwoman of the 12th Ward, and the Honorable Silvana Tabares, Alderwoman of the 23rd Ward, join the Honorable Raymond A. Lopez, Alderman of the 15th Ward, in sharing with the City Council of the City of Chicago the unfortunate news of his passing on September 1, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, Francisco “Paco” Cervantes Garcia, son of the late Anacleto Cervantes and Juana Garcia, is survived by his loving wife Laura, children Andres, Maritza, Belinda and Francisco Jr., along with his grandchildren Frida, Adela, Ezra and Clara; and,


WHEREAS, When Paco came to the United States, his story begins as a carnicero, eventually acquiring his first store, the very first store in in which Paco worked as a butcher sharpening his skills and commitment to quality, customer service and dedication to his employee family; and,

WHEREAS, Paco saw the opportunity to bring the taste of his beloved Mexico to the community, dedicating a small section of his grocery store, Supermercado La Internacional, to serve tacos that would become legendary on the southwest side of the city; and,

WHEREAS, Paco’s Tacos has become an iconic taqueria within the Chicago food landscape and an easily recognizable and sought after culinary experience within Chicago’s Mexican tradition because Paco’s commitment to quality, flavor and tradition remain unsurpassed; 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 13th Day of September, 2023, share our sincere condolences with the family of Francisco “Paco” Cervantes Garcia following his passing; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Francisco “Paco” Cervantes Garcia and his store locations to remind all who read it of the life and legacy of the man who has impacted their lives with his food, his spirit, generosity and love.



Raymond A. Lopez
Alderman, 15th Ward