RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING COACH THOMAS C. SKUBICH

WHEREAS, On June 8, 1973 Gurdon S. Hubbard Hugh School won the Illinois State Baseball Championship. Consequently, June 8, 2023 is the 50th Anniversary of their win; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Marty Quinn, Alderman of the 13th Ward, has apprised the members of the chamber of this remarkable achievement; and

WHEREAS, Thomas C. Skubich was born on February 23, 1934 in Chicago's Little Village neighborhood. His family moved to Hinsdale as a child; and

WHEREAS, Tom graduated from Hinsdale High School in 1952. He then attended Northern Illinois University where he was captain of the Northern Illinois State Huskies Football team; he graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in teaching 1956; and

WHEREAS, In 1957 Tom married the love of his life, Jinny. In that same year, he was drafted into the Army and stationed in Heidelberg, Germany for two years. After being discharged, Tom and Jinny returned to Chicago and moved to Downers Grove where they raised their family. They have two daughters, Kim and Lori, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Tom and Jinny have been married for more that sixty-five wonderful years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Skubich's first teaching position was at Gurdon S. Hubbard High School where he taught physical education, held the position of Athletic Director and coached the Hubbard Greyhounds Baseball teams until his retirement in 1994; and

WHEREAS, In 1973, the Hubbard Greyhounds Baseball team, led by Coach Tom Skubich, went 28-3 and won the Illinois State Championship.

No other Chicago Public High School has clinched the title since Hubbard in 1973; and

WHEREAS, In 1995, Mr. Skubich was inducted into the Illinois High School Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame. Being an athlete his whole life, Mr. Skubich has participated in the National Senior Games Association, otherwise known as the Senior Olympics; and

WHEREAS, Coach Skubich's many accomplishments in the classroom and on the baseball field demonstrate commitment to educating youth and serve as an example to today's teachers and coaches; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, gathered together this twenty-first Day of June, 2023, do hereby congratulate Coach Skubich on the 50th Anniversary of winning the Illinois State Championship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Mr. Thomas Skubich.

MARTY QUINN

Alderman, 13th Ward