

**City Clerk Anna Valencia**

**September 13, 2023**

**WHEREAS**, Dennis Roach, a longtime public servant and Union leader of Painters District Council 14, Local 147, has retired on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 after more than two decades of dedicated service to the people of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this milestone by the Honorable Anna M. Valencia; and

**WHEREAS**, Dennis grew up on the Southside of Chicago in a working class family that valued hardwork and accountability. Twenty-nine years ago Dennis joined the Painters Union as a means to provide for his family. And for the past 23 years he has served as Union leader of the Painters District Council 14, Local 147; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his tenure as Union leader, Dennis Roach has utilized his skills in a number of positions he has held. One of them being a Union Steward in the Merchandise Mart, a position he held for ten years; and

**WHEREAS**, After a long career of service and looking out for the interest of his union members, Dennis Roach is finally ready to retire. The commitment and character he showed as a leader will be sorely missed; and

**WHEREAS**, Dennis Roach looks forward to sharing his retirement with his family, his wife Maria, his six children, as well as his 13 grandchildren; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the City Clerk and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this September 13, 2023, do hereby congratulate Dennis Roach on his retirement from public service and wish him well on his future endeavors; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Dennis Roach as a sign of our honor, gratitude, and respect.



Andrea M. Valencia

CITY CLERK