Resolution Honoring and Commemorating the Accomplishments of Hall of Fame Boxer Wilfred "Wilfredo" Benítez

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago takes great pride in recognizing individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the world of sports and who serve as sources of inspiration to our people; and

WHEREAS, Wilfred "Wilfredo" Benítez, a resident of Chicago's 26th Ward, has distinguished himself as one of the greatest boxers in the history of the sport, achieving remarkable accomplishments throughout his world-renowned career; and

WHEREAS, Wilfred Benítez was born on September 12, 1958, in New York City, New York, but he proudly adopted Chicago as his home, becoming an integral part of our city's vibrant Puerto Rican community; and

WHEREAS, at the age of just 17, Wilfred Benítez became the youngest world champion in the history of professional boxing on March 6, 1976. To this day he still holds the Guinness World Record for youngest boxing world champion; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Wilfred Benítez held world titles in three different weight classes, including Light Welterweight, Welterweight, and Light Middleweight, showcasing his remarkable versatility and true mastery of the sport; and

WHEREAS, Wilfred Benítez's incredible talent and accomplishments in the boxing world earned him a well-deserved induction into the International Boxing Hall of Fame in 1996, solidifying his legacy as one of the sport's all-time greats; and

WHEREAS, Wilfred Benítez has served as an enduring source of pride and inspiration to Chicago's Puerto Rican community, exemplifying the values of hard work, resilience, and perseverance in the face of adversity, that have contributed to the success and vitality of the Humboldt Park Community;

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, do hereby officially honor this legendary boxer and icon of the Puerto Rican community, recognizing him as a boxing legend, a cherished resident of Chicago's 26th Ward, and an inspiration to the Puerto Rican community of our great city; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Wilfredo Benitez as a token of our city's deep appreciation and respect for his remarkable achievements.

Jessie Fuentes,

Alderperson, 26th Ward

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