

In Commemoration of the 90th Birthday of “Vince the Barber”

WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of the 11th Ward Aldermanic Office that Vince Ballone will celebrate his 90th Birthday on January 29, 2024 and

WHEREAS, Vince Ballone immigrated to the United States in 1959 and settled in Chicago, and

WHEREAS, Vince Ballone purchased a building located at 2845 South Wallace Avenue in the Bridgeport neighborhood and started Vince's Barber shop in 1960, and

WHEREAS, Vince Ballone's barbering experience dated back to 1955 where he studied as an apprentice under a master barber in Casteltermini, Sicily, and

WHEREAS, Vince Ballone was trained in the art of straight razor shaving, mud pack facial treatments, clipper cuts, razor cuts, blow-dry and styling during his time in Sicily and brought those skills to his barbershop in Chicago, and

WHEREAS, Vince's Barbershop became a staple in the Bridgeport community serving local residents, and

WHEREAS, In 1992, Vince's son Gino joined Vince in the family business that successfully continues to this day at Vince and Gino's Hair Designs on 2845 South Wallace Avenue, and

WHEREAS, Generations of Bridgeport customers continue to visit Vince and Gino's Hair Designs for the same high-quality barbering and good company Vince established at the start of the family-owned business in 1960, and

BE IT RESOLVED That the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby extend its warmest wishes and congratulations to Vince Ballone on the occasion of his 90th Birthday, and join all who have had the pleasure of his friendship in wishing him still more years of good health and richly deserved happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Vince Ballone in commemoration of this joyous occasion.



NICOLE T. LEE
Alderperson, 11th Ward