

R-09-113

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY OF CHICAGO'S
BID TO HOST THE 2016 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC
GAMES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago has been selected by the United States Olympic Committee as the U. S. Candidate City for the international competition to host the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games; and

WHEREAS, the Olympic and Paralympic Games represent the best of the human spirit, and bringing them to the United States would benefit our country and inspire harmony locally, nationally and globally; and

WHEREAS, Chicago, a world-class city with remarkable diversity, culture, history and people, already holds a place in the international community as a city and a metropolitan area of immigrants from around the world who are eager to be ambassadors to visiting Olympic athletes; and

WHEREAS, hosting the Games in our country's heartland provides a unique opportunity to enhance the development of Olympic sports in the Midwest and across the nation, offering a spectacular experience for athletes, the Olympic Family, spectators, residents and the global viewing audience by celebrating the Games in the City of Chicago and its metropolitan region; and

WHEREAS, Chicago, one of the transportation hubs of the world, has the ability to provide, along with its world-class international airports, accessible transportation to international visitors through its extensive rail, transit and motorways infrastructure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the City of North Little Rock, Arkansas supports the City of Chicago and Chicago 2016 as they compete for the privilege to host the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

SECTION 2: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Patrick H. Hays

SPONSOR:

ATTEST:

Mayor Patrick H. Hays

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

C. Jason Carter, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b