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**THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND**  
**COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

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**NUMBER 2016-001**

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**THE BUNGALOW CHEF**

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**DOMINGO F. VARGAS, Mayor**  
**Randy Heuser, City Clerk**

<b>1st Ward</b>	<b>TOM HAWLEY</b>	<b>GEORGE POULOS</b>
<b>2nd Ward</b>	<b>LETICIA VIEYRA</b>	<b>FRED BILOTTO</b>
<b>3rd Ward</b>	<b>NANCY RITA</b>	<b>KEVIN DONAHUE</b>
<b>4th Ward</b>	<b>CANDACE CARR</b>	<b>ALECIA SLATTERY</b>
<b>5th Ward</b>	<b>JANICE OSTLING</b>	<b>KENNETH PITTMAN</b>
<b>6th Ward</b>	<b>DEXTER JOHNSON</b>	<b>JAIRO FRAUSTO</b>
<b>7th Ward</b>	<b>NANCY THOMPSON</b>	<b>JAMES JOHANSON</b>

**Aldermen**

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**A RESOLUTION HONORING THE  
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THE BUNGALOW CHEF**

**WHEREAS**, Born and raised in Blue Island, his family dates back to the 1860's; and

**WHEREAS**, like many true Blue Islanders, he boomeranged back after a 20 year stint living in Chicago. Mike's professional career has crossed over into many different avenues in the food business; and

**WHEREAS**, A trained chef, chocolatier and business developer for the famed House of Fine Chocolates, research and development chef for HJ. Heinz, and sales and marketing for Appetizer and Inc., and other gourmet companies. Currently he is a Sales Director, and selling chef for Cuisine Innovations, the largest privately owned company of its kind in the country, based in New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, His love of Blue Island "His Mayberry and Bedford Falls" is evident in his ongoing involvement in the Community Garden, cooking classes for children, library cooking classes, hosts numerous food pantry drives for Lutheran Charites and, for the last 5 years provides Thanksgiving meals to our Police force and Christmas Day dinners to our Fireman; and

**WHEREAS**, Mike's involvements include lifetime member of the Blue Island Historical Society and of the First Evangelical Lutheran Church which currently he is on the call committee, and the cemetery board; and

**WHEREAS**, He was past board member for the Blue Island Chamber of Commerce and for the Blue Island Preservation Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Contributor to Who's Hungry Magazine, Forum and other publications and to The Food Channel, EHow video channels and, as firm supporter of Shop Local, he filmed City events and interviewed local businesses for the City of Blue Island; and

**WHEREAS**, Created a chocolate fundraiser for Old Bess, Bungalow Chef, Recipe Revival Blog, and now The Bungalow Kitchen. Filmed over 40 shorts of Bungalow Chef for BITV and held a fundraiser luncheon for the Blue Island Historical Society. "Buffets, Bungalows and Blue Island!" and the Bungalow was opened up for the 2014 Blue Island House Walk; and

**WHEREAS**, Brought public television Ask this OLD HOUSE to Blue Island and assisted in numerous political campaigns; and

**WHEREAS**, Mike has a just ask drive and passion for Blue Island, following in his Father's "Lou Mech's" footsteps as "Mr. Blue Island!" The Bungalow Chef:

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Island, County of Cook and State of Illinois, do hereby acknowledge the selfless efforts of Mike Mech, The Bungalow Chef to ensue noble acts of kindness, tutelage, and sharing delicious recipes for all people of the United States.

ADOPTED this 27th day of January, 2016, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT	ABSTAIN
Alderman Hawley	X				
Alderman Poulos	X				
Alderman Vieyra	X				
Alderman Bilotto	X				
Alderman Rita			X		
Alderman Donahue	X				
Alderman Carr	X				
Alderman Slattery	X				
Alderman Ostling	X				
Alderman Pittman			X		
Alderman Johnson	X				
Alderman Frausto			X		
Alderman Thompson			X		
Alderman Johanson	X				
Mayor Vargas					
TOTAL	10		4		

APPROVED by the Mayor on January 26, 2016.

*Domingo F. Vargas*  
 MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND,  
 COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

ATTESTED and Filed in my office this

26th day of January, 2016.

*Randy Houser*  
 CITY CLERK