

**RESOLUTION HONORING
BOPC SENIOR INVESTIGATOR ADELA MATIAS RIVERA**

WHEREAS Senior Investigator Adela Rivera was appointed to the Office of the Chief Investigator in June, 2011, where she was assigned to the Office of the Chief Investigator; and

WHEREAS Senior Investigator Rivera is a lifelong resident of the City of Detroit. She has made significant contributions to Southwest Detroit residents and communities; and

WHEREAS Senior Investigator Rivera started her career with the City of Detroit in the Police Department in 1977. She served in various units within the Police Department, including patrol (2nd Precinct), Police Mini Station, Westside Task Force, and a member of the Chief of Police Staff. She was promoted to Sergeant and was assigned to Executive Protection Unit for Mayor Coleman A Young where she served as commanding officer. She was instrumental in forming the Hispanic Police Officers Association. As Vice President of the Association, she was very successful in garnering support from area businesses, the community, and city officials to help promote its goals to support Hispanics on the police force and to provide educational scholarships to deserving young students She retired from the police department in 2002; and

WHEREAS Senior Investigator Rivera was appointed to the Board of Police Commissioner by Mayor Kenneth Cockrel, Jr. and served from 2009-2011. She has provided years of service as a volunteer in various community organizations. One of her most rewarding activities is fulfilling dreams and hopes of young children and families at the Most Holy Trinity Annual Children's Christmas Party She has been profiled in numerous print media, such as People Magazine. She appeared as a guest on the Tonight Show with Johnny Carson. Based on the outstanding "woman on the police force" interview segment, that episode was nominated for an Emmy that year. Senior Investigator Adela Rivera is a lifelong Detroiter who provided 37 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Detroit, including 12-plus years working for the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners where she is highly respected as a consummate professional.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of Detroit, awards this resolution to Senior Investigator Adela Rivera for more than 12 years of dedicated and diligent public service and outstanding work in the area of civilian oversight of law enforcement. Her professionalism, integrity, and standard of commitment to the City of Detroit and its citizens merit our highest regards and best wishes for continued success.

We salute and congratulate you, Senior Investigator Adela Rivera.