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Recognition extended to Chicago Tribune Printer's Row Lit Fest and best wishes on continued success Title:

Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Printers Row Book Fair, now called "Printers Row Lit Fest," was developed in 1985 as a way to help revitalize the South Loop neighborhood and its rich ties to the history of the printing industry that was based there; and

WHEREAS, This year, Stuart Dybek, one of the authors featured at the first book fair in 1985, is being honored with the Harold Washington Literary Award, presented by the Near South Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, Noted authors who have appeared over the last 29 years include Stuart Dybek, Art Shay, Gwendolyn Brooks, Cyrus Colter, Sarah Paretsky, Dave Barry, Dan Rather, Judy Glume, E.L. Doctorow, Joyce Carol Oates, John Updike, Augusten Burroughs, Dave Eggers, Anne Lamott, Margaret Atwood, Alex Kotlowitz and Alice Walker; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception the Printers Row Lit Fest has grown to become a major Chicago cultural and social event; and

WHEREAS, 60 booksellers were featured in 1985 and this year Lit Fest will feature 150 booksellers of new and used books; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 6,500 people attended the first Printers Row Book Fair, and in recent years the Printers Row Lit Fest has attracted more than 125,000 people; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert W. Fioretti, Alderman of the 2nd Ward has apprised this august body of the Chicago Tribune Printers Row Lit Fest; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the Chicago City Council, gathered together this twenty-eighth day of May, 2014 do hereby salute the Chicago Tribune Printers Row Lit Fest and extend our very best wishes for the continued success of this fest in our great city.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the Chicago Tribune Printers Row Lit Fest.