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Committee(s) Assignment:	

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, John J. Madigan has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of ninety-four; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of his passing by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

WHEREAS, John J. Madigan was a widely admired member of the journalism community and the loving husband of Elizabeth; and

WHEREAS, John J. Madigan was the much-adored father of Amy, John, and James, the grandfather of three and the great-grandfather of one to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities which he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, John J. Madigan began his journalism career in the 1930s by working as a newspaper copy boy; and

WHEREAS, After serving in the United States Navy during World War II, John J. Madigan landed his first reporting job at *The Chicago American* newspaper; and

WHEREAS, John J. Madigan left Chicago for Washington, D.C., to work for *Newsweek* and became the first moderator of "Face the Nation", a landmark political news program; and

WHEREAS, John J. Madigan returned to Chicago around 1960 to act as News Director for WBBM-TV; and

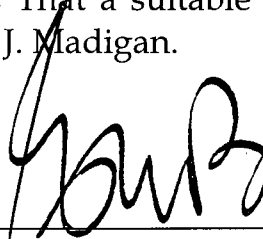
WHEREAS, In 1968 John J. Madigan transitioned WBBM-AM Radio to an all-news station and worked as its Political Director for the next twenty years; and

WHEREAS, In 1988 John J. Madigan left WBBM-AM to assume the role of Chief Spokesperson for the Illinois Supreme Court until his retirement in 1998; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, John J. Madigan imparts a legacy of faithfulness, service and dignity; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this fourteenth day of March, 2012, do hereby commemorate John J. Madigan for his grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to his family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of John J. Madigan.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. B. P.', written over a horizontal line.

Alderman - 14th Ward