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Resolution

Congratulations extended to Erin O'Donnell on retirement as Managing Deputy Commissioner of Midway International Airport

Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Erin O'Donnell, has stepped down as Managing Deputy Commissioner of the City of Chicago Midway International Airport in July 2019, after thirty-three years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, the Chicago City Council has been informed of her retirement by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

WHEREAS, a native of Garfield Ridge neighborhood, Erin has a B.S. in Accounting and a Masters in Business Administration; and

WHEREAS, Erin has been employed with the City of Chicago Department of Aviation since 1986; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Northern Illinois University in 1991, she began working for the Aviation Department full-time — first at Midway International Airport and later at O'Hare International Airport, in the department's real estate division; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure with the Aviation Department Erin has held positions in airfield operations, finance and administration divisions at Midway, as well as Senior Airport Properties Manager at O'Hare International Airport; and

WHEREAS, in 1997 Erin was appointed Deputy Commissioner of Midway; and

WHEREAS, in 2004 she was promoted to Managing Deputy Commissioner of Midway International Airport and oversaw a \$200 million operating budget; and

WHEREAS, in this position Erin was responsible for the day-to-day operations of the airport including finance and administration, airside and landside operations, vehicle services, and community relations; and

WHEREAS, Erin has managed three major initiatives at Midway: the Long-Term Lease of Midway, the Midway Terminal Development Program and the Midway Modernization Program; and

WHEREAS, additionally, in 2000 Erin O'Donnell was listed in "40 under 40" by *Crain's Chicago Business*, that same year Erin was honored Woman of the Year by Women's Transportation Seminar; and

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BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council assembled this twenty-fourth day of July, 2019, do hereby thank Erin O'Donnell for her many years of distinguished service to the City of Chicago as Managing Deputy Commissioner, and wish her the very best as she begins the next phase of her life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Erin O'Donnell.

dward M. Burke

Alderman, 14th Ward