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Congratulations extended to Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg on academic achievements and 40 years of broadcasting excellence

Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg is Professor Emeritus of Psychology at the University of Chicago, and the retired host of WGN Radio's "Extension 720;" and

WHEREAS, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg, who hosted this respected and beloved forum of intellectual thought and ideas for four decades until 2012, announced his return to live broadcast on radio station WCGO AM 1590 in Evanston, Illinois; and

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

WHEREAS, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg is a prominent social psychologist who was born in New York City, educated at Brooklyn College and the University of Wisconsin and who attained his Ph.D at the University of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg began his academic career as an Instructor in Psychology at the University of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg taught at Yale University (1954-1961), Ohio State University (1961-1963), Dartmouth College (1963-1965) and at the Naval War College before joining the faculty of the University of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure at the University of Chicago, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg was Director of the Doctoral Program in Social and Organizational Psychology; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg is the author, co-author and editor of many scholarly books including, *"Attitude Organization and Change; Domestic Sources of Foreign Policy; Beyond Conflict and Containment: Critical Studies of Military and Foreign Policy; and Vietnam and the Silent Majority;* and

WHEREAS, In 1973 Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg began an uninterrupted thirty-nine year tenure as host of "Extension 720;" and

WHEREAS, The thought-provoking two-hour talk show format aired Monday through Friday (later Sunday through Thursday); and

WHEREAS, Each night for thirty-nine years, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg engaged prominent guests from a broad spectrum of human endeavor in lively discussion, including world leaders, educators, authors, journalists, scientists, members of Congress, the judiciary, show business, the culinary arts, sports, music and performance; and

WHEREAS, On November 18, 2008, President George W. Bush awarded the prestigious Humanities Medal to Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg in the East Room of the White House "for bringing the world of ideas to millions of listeners, combining a scholar's understanding of the humanities broadened our citizens' engagement with the humanities, or helped preserve and expand Americans' access to important resources in the humanities;" and

WHEREAS, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg serves on the boards of many distinguished organizations, including the National Association of Scholars, the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education, the Howard Center for Family and Religion and the National Great Books Curriculum; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg's program reached a global audience of listeners streaming the internet; and

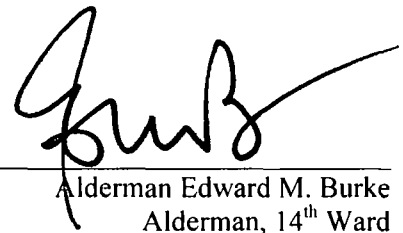
WHEREAS, A collection of memorable "Extension 720" programs have been preserved for posterity in an audio archive on the internet; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg's final broadcast aired December 29, 2012; and

WHEREAS, After launching an independent podcast website in May 2013, Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg returned to the Chicagoland airwaves in April 2015 with a weekday afternoon program heard over WCGO 1590 in Evanston; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council assembled this fifteenth day of April 2015, do hereby congratulate Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg for his career accomplishments in the world of academics and recognize his four decades of broadcast excellence serving Chicagoland, the nation and the global community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Milton J. Rosenberg.



Alderman Edward M. Burke
Alderman, 14th Ward