



# City of Chicago



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| <b>Meeting Date:</b>            | 5/4/2011   |
| <b>Sponsor(s):</b>              | Burke (14)   |
| <b>Type:</b>                    | Resolution   |
| <b>Title:</b>                   | Congratulations extended to inductees into Irish American Hall of Fame |
| <b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b> |  |

WHEREAS, The Irish American Hall of Fame inaugural class of inductees will be honored at a gala dinner at the Irish American Heritage Center on Saturday, May 14, 2011 at 7:00 P.M.; and

WHEREAS, The evening consists of cocktails and dinner, followed by live music with the very best in traditional Irish music; Liz Carroll, Jimmy Keane, Sean Cleland and Brendan McKinney, NBC 5's Mary Ann Ahern is the evening's emcee; and

WHEREAS, The honorees include Maureen O'Hara, Eugene O'Neill, and Chief Francis O'Neill for Arts & Humanities; Henry Ford for Business & Industry; Mayor Richard J. Daley, President John F. Kennedy and Senator George Mitchell for Public Service; Jack Dempsey for Sports; Sr. Rosemary Connelly for Religion; Reverend Patrick Francis Healy, SJ for Education; and Robert Fulton for Science; and

WHEREAS, Each inductee who is living has been invited and if the inductee is deceased, members of the inductee's family have been invited to accept the award; and

WHEREAS, The Irish American Hall of Fame (IAHOF) was established in 2010 to preserve and promote the stories of the Irish in America and the ongoing links between Ireland and the United States. That objective is being fulfilled, with the announcement of the organization's inaugural class of inductees; and

WHEREAS, The Hall of Fame was founded by members of the Chicago-based Irish American Heritage Center (IAHC) and operates under the Center's auspices. The IAHOF is overseen by a separate governing committee and has a national focus; and

WHEREAS, Eleven outstanding Irish Americans in seven categories were selected as the 2011 IAHOF honorees. They were voted into the Hall of Fame by a national body of distinguished individuals representing academia, government and Irish-affiliated organizations from across a wide range of disciplines; now, therefore,

*Be It Resolved*, That we, the Mayor and the members of the City Council, assembled this fourth day of May 2011, do hereby congratulate all of the inductees on receiving this prestigious honor; and

*Be It Further Resolved*, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Irish American Heritage Center.