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<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

**RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING ST. NICHOLAS OF TOLENTINE  
PARISH ON ITS 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**WHEREAS**, St. Nicholas of Tolentine Parish is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary; and

**WHEREAS**, This esteemed body has been informed of this milestone by the Honorable Michael Zalewski, Alderman of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Ward; and

**WHEREAS**, The Augustinians established St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church in 1909 to serve the Chicago Lawn, Ashburn and Clearing Districts. In July of 1916 Archbishop George W. Mundelein designated the church a Parish naming Rev. Daniel O'Brien pastor; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1919 the Parish built a convent at 3731 West 62<sup>nd</sup> Street. The following year two hundred students were enrolled in the parish school; and

**WHEREAS**, Father O'Brien passed away in 1925 and was replaced by Rev. Michael J. Fennessy; and

**WHEREAS**, The following year the present rectory at 3721 West 62<sup>nd</sup> Street was completed. In 1937 the church was completed and it was dedicated by Archbishop Mundelein in 1939; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1949 Rev. Fennessy was named Right Reverend Monsignor. He passed away in 1959 to be replaced by Right Reverend James C. Hardiman, Vice Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Salvador Den Hallegado leads a thriving Parish, serving over one thousand families. The Parish has a grammar school and provides religious education for over 400 children; and

**WHEREAS**, The Parish is the location of many life cycle events. Last year hundreds of baptisms, communions, weddings, funerals and other significant milestones which were held at the church; and

**WHEREAS**, Lawndale Avenue and 62<sup>nd</sup> Street is being renamed as "Honorary St. Nicholas of Tolentine Parish Way"; and

**WHEREAS**, St. Nicholas of Tolentine celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016, which included a mass conducted by Archbishop Blaine Cupich; now, therefore,

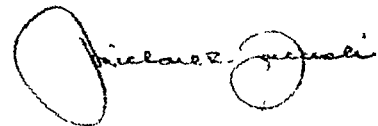
**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this fourteenth day of September, 2016, do hereby congratulate St. Nicholas of Tolentine Parish on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and wish the Parish continued spirituality and fulfillment.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to St. Nicholas of Tolentine Parish.

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