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Title:	Recognition of Honorable John McCain for public service and best wishes for speedy recovery following surgery
Committee(s) Assignment:	

WHEREAS, on July 14th, the Honorable John McCain, senior U.S. Senator from Arizona underwent a procedure to remove a blood clot from above his left eye at Mayo Clinic Hospital in Phoenix; and

WHEREAS, subsequent tissue pathology revealed that a primary brain tumor known as a glioblastoma was associated with the blood clot; and

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

WHEREAS, the Honorable John McCain is a 1958 graduate of the United States Naval Academy; and

WHEREAS, on his twenty-third bombing mission during the Vietnam War in October 1967, the Honorable John McCain was shot down over Hanoi and badly injured; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable John McCain endured five-and-a-half-years as a prisoner of war and endured subsequent tortures; and

WHEREAS, in 1968 he refused an offer of early release because he did not want to leave behind other prisoners of war who had been there longer; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable John McCain retired from the Navy as a captain in 1981; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable John McCain entered politics won election to Arizona's first Congressional District in 1982; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable John McCain was elected to the United States Senate for the first time in 1986, succeeding the Honorable Barry Goldwater; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable John McCain won the 2008 Republican Party presidential nomination and garnered 173 electoral votes in the fall election; and

WHEREAS, as the senior senator from Arizona, the Honorable John McCain has been at the center of foreign and domestic policy making for over three decades; and

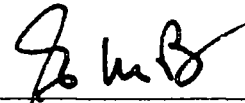
WHEREAS, up until his cancer diagnosis, the Honorable John McCain maintained an exhaustive overseas travel schedule, meeting with his counterparts from around the world to promote peace, cooperation and mutual understanding among nations; and

WHEREAS, over the July 2017 recess, the Honorable John McCain visited Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable John McCain is a respected and revered hero of our nation; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council assembled this twenty-sixth day of July, 2017, do hereby join with city, state, and federal government and the citizens of the United States in wishing the Honorable John McCain a swift recovery in his battle against cancer and a return to the United States Senate Chambers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the Honorable John McCain.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. M. Burke", written over a horizontal line.

Alderman Edward M. Burke
Alderman, 14th Ward