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Resolution

Congratulations extended to Martin J. Healy, Jr. being chosen Grand Marshal of 2017 Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade

Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Martin J. Healy, Jr. has been honored at the 116th Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner and chosen as the 2017 Grand Marshal of the Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade; and

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

WHEREAS, The Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago has supported Chicago's civic, cultural and educational community for more than 115 years, and provides scholarship assistance to every Catholic high school in the Archdiocese of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Martin J. Healy, Jr. is an experienced and dedicated advocate for injured clients in a career that has included jury verdicts and settlements totaling \$150 million in the areas of products liability, interstate trucking, construction, medical malpractice, transportation and police procedure cases; and

WHEREAS, Martin J. Healy, Jr. graduated from St. Ignatius College Preparatory where he received the alumni Award of Excellence in Law, the University of Notre Dame and Loyola University School of Law where he was the Associate Editor of Law Review; and

WHEREAS, Martin J. Healy, Jr. began his legal career as a law clerk for the Supreme Court of Illinois, worked as Counsel for the Illinois House of Representatives, was an Associate for James A. Dooley & Associates, and became General Counsel and First Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Martin J. Healy, Jr. is Past President of the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association and has been certified as a Civil Trial Advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Martin J. Healy, Jr. has lectured and written extensively for numerous Bar Associations, including the Association for Justice (AAJ), the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association (ITLA), the Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA), the Chicago Bar Association (CBA) and the Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education; and

WHEREAS, Martin J. Healy, Jr. was voted one of the top ten plaintiff personal injury lawyers in Illinois by Leading Lawyers, and also inducted as a Fellow into the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, an elite group limited to five hundred lawyers throughout the United States and thirty countries; and

WHEREAS, Additionally, Martin J. Healy, Jr. received an award for the Largest Verdict in Will County from the Jury Verdict Reporter and was voted into the US Irish Legal 100; and

WHEREAS, The son of immigrant parents from Ireland, Martin J Healy, Jr. is very active in the Irish community and Irish organizations, including the Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago, the Irish American Heritage Center, Celtic Legal Society, and the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee; now, therefore

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BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council assembled this twenty- second day of February, 2017, do hereby congratulate Martin J. Healy, Jr. on his award and do hereby extend our best wishes to him; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Martin J. Healy, Jr.

Alderman - 14th Ward