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## City Council Document Tracking Sheet

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| <b>Meeting Date:</b>            | <b>6/8/2011</b>                    |
| <b>Sponsor(s):</b>              | <b>Burke, Edward (14)</b>          |
| <b>Type:</b>                    | <b>Resolution</b>                  |
| <b>Title:</b>                   | <b>Tribute to Late Anne Keegan</b> |
| <b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b> |                                    |

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, Anne Keegan has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of sixty-eight; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicago City Council has been informed of her passing by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

**WHEREAS**, Anne Keegan was a legendary Chicago journalist and the loving and devoted wife of Leonard Aronson; and

**WHEREAS**, Anne Keegan was the much-adored mother of Patrick and the grandmother of two to whom she imparted many of the fine and noble qualities which she possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS**, Anne Keegan wrote for the *Chicago Tribune* for twenty-four years and earned a reputation as one of the finest female writers in the history of Chicago journalism; and

**WHEREAS**, Anne Keegan began her career with the *City News Bureau of Chicago* and later wrote for *United Press International* before joining the *Chicago Tribune* in the 1970s; and

**WHEREAS**, Known for her precise reporting and poetic prose, Anne Keegan focused on the day-to-day stories of Chicago's working class population; and

**WHEREAS**, Anne Keegan captured the essence and dignity of a range of blue-collar Chicagoans that included police officers, firefighters, soldiers, waitresses and factory workers; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout her career, Anne Keegan gave voice to individuals the media seldom focused on and described how their lives intersected with issues of the day; and

**WHEREAS**, Anne Keegan retired from the *Chicago Tribune* in 1997 and went on to publish both a children's book and a nonfiction work about crime as seen through the eyes of a Chicago police officer; and

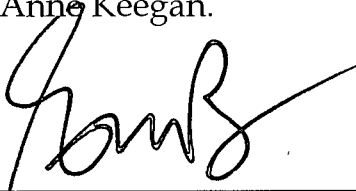
**WHEREAS**, Anne Keegan was the begrudging recipient of numerous awards, always insisting that her work was not about her, but about the people she featured in her articles; and

**WHEREAS**, A resident of the North Side, Anne Keegan will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives, friends, and colleagues; and

**WHEREAS**, To her beloved family, Anne Keegan imparts a legacy of faithfulness, service and dignity; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this eighth day of June, 2011, do hereby commemorate Anne Keegan for her grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to her family; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Anne Keegan.



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Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward