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Title:	Congratulations extended to Thomas J. Cody on being named 2015 "Irish Man of the Year" by Emerald Society of Illinois
Committee(s) Assignment:	

**RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THOMAS J. CODY AS
EMERALD SOCIETY OF ILLINOIS "IRISH MAN OF THE YEAR"**

WHEREAS, On September 14th, 2015, Thomas J. Cody, was honored by the Emerald Society of Illinois as "Irish Man of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Cody was born into the Englewood community, to Florence and John Cody, and he attended St. Leo Grammar School and graduated from Little Flower High School; and

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Cody was drafted into the United States Army on September 23, 1965, shortly thereafter in 1966, he was assigned to the United Nations Unit, and

WHEREAS, on September 05th, 1967, he was honorably discharged: and

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Cody graduated from the Cook County Sheriff's Police Academy on August 20th, 1971, in 1972 he was hand picked to the Chicago Police Department Vice Control Division/Narcotics Section, in 1973 he was assigned to the Metropolitan Enforcement Group, shortly after in 1975 he was promoted to Supervisor of a Team of five agents; and

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Cody graduated from Lewis University in 1977, and in 1981 he was selected to Executive Protection Detail where he served as bodyguard for the State's Attorney of Cook County, Honorable Richard M. Daley; and

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Cody became one of the original members of the Bagpipes & Drums of the Emerald Society of Illinois, Chicago Police Department, this is the only non-military band allowed to play in Arlington National Cemetery: and

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Cody retired from the Cook County Sheriff's Department in 1999 and received six commendations and a Life Saving Award, Thomas joined the Merrionette Park Police Department and was awarded Police Officer of the Year in 2005 along with Chicago Police Department Joint Operation Commendation for apprehending a group

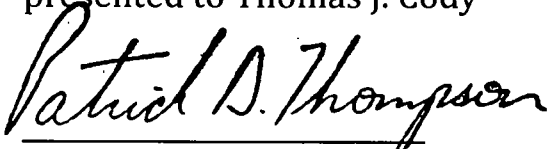
of Armed Robbers; the Cook County Sheriff's Distinguished Merit Award for assisting in solving a heinous murder : and

WHEREAS , Thomas J. Cody was elected in 2012 by fellow Band Members to be the Band Manager of the Bagpipes and Drums of the Emerald Society, Chicago Police Department: and

WHEREAS , Thomas J. Cody was honored in May 2013 as the Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial Society as their Police Officer of the Year; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago assembled this 24th day of September 2015, do hereby congratulate Thomas J. Cody for his dedication to public service and Emerald Society of Illinois 2015 "Irish Man of the Year" with best wishes for continued success in all of his future endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Thomas J. Cody



PATRICK D. THOMPSON
Alderman, 11th Ward