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Title:	Congratulations extended to Maureen O'Looney on being named a Hometown Hero by Irish American Hall of Fame
Committee(s) Assignment:	

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Maureen O'Looney, a widely admired Chicago business and civic leader, has been named a *Hometown Hero* by the Irish American Hall of Fame; and

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

WHEREAS, A native of County Mayo, Ireland, Maureen O'Looney has been the proprietor of Shamrock Imports, located on the corner of Belmont and Laramie Avenues in the Cragin neighborhood since 1967; and

WHEREAS, Maureen O'Looney played an instrumental role in the founding of Gaelic Park, The Irish-American Heritage Center and The Emerald Society of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Maureen O'Looney has served as a key figure with Chicago Irish Immigrant Support, a nonprofit group founded in 1998 by Irish bishops and Cardinal Francis George; and

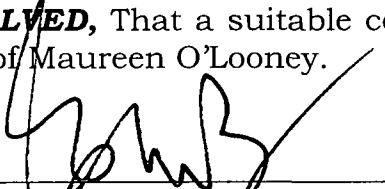
WHEREAS, Chicago Irish Immigrant Support is dedicated to assisting newly arrived Irish immigrants thrive in society by helping them gain citizenship and providing pastoral support; and

WHEREAS, Maureen O'Looney has been a true pillar of the Irish-American community in Chicago for more than fifty years; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Maureen O'Looney serve as an example to all; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this thirtieth day of April, 2014, do hereby congratulate Maureen O'Looney on receiving this prestigious honor and do hereby extend our best wishes for her continued success and achievement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Maureen O'Looney.



Alderman - 14th Ward