



City of Chicago



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Type:	Ordinance
Title:	Honorary street designation as "Aleko Konstantinov Way"
Committee(s) Assignment:	Committee on Transportation and Public Way

SUBSTITUE ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Aleko Konstantinov is one of the most beloved writers in Bulgaria; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Konstantinov in 1894 wrote *To Chicago and Back*, a travelogue of his trip to the Columbian Exposition of 1893; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Konstantinov's book was instrumental in making Chicago the symbol of the United States among Bulgarians; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Konstantinov was an avid traveler who helped spur an interest among newly independent Bulgarians in the outside world; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Konstantinov was killed May 11, 1897, during what some believe was a political assassination attempt of his friend; and

WHEREAS, a biography of Mr. Konstantinov is attached to this ordinance; and

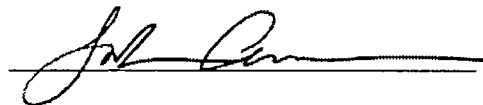
WHEREAS, Chicago is home to the largest Bulgarian population in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Union of Bulgarian Writers in the US and Around the World meets at the First Bulgarian Center, 3756 W. Irving Park Road; therefore

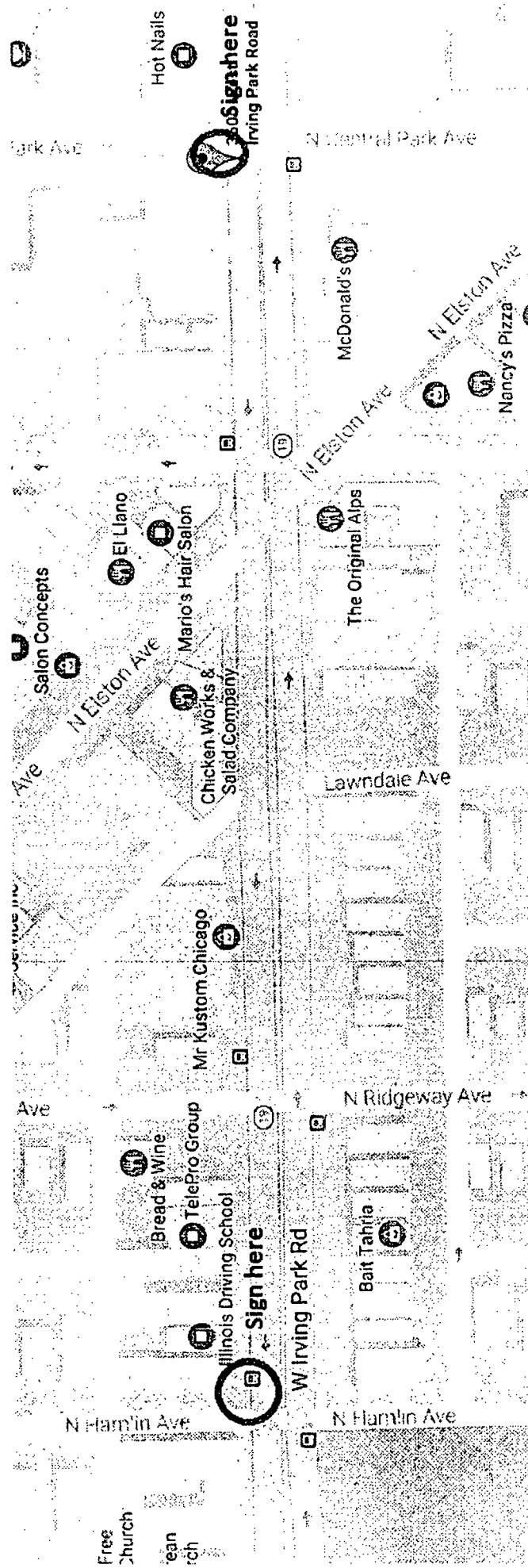
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO;

SECTION 1. Pursuant to an ordinance heretofore passed by the City Council which allows erection of honorary street-name signs, the Commissioner of Transportation shall take the necessary action for standardization of 3600-3785 W. Irving Park Road as "Aleko Konstantinov Way."

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication.



Alderman John Arena
45th Ward



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