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Congratulations extended to Reverend John P. Smith

Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Reverend John P. Smyth will celebrate his Golden Jubilee on June 9, 2012; and

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

WHEREAS, A native of Chicago, the Reverend John P. Smyth is a 1957 graduate of the University of Notre Dame; and

WHEREAS, An All-American in his college years, the Reverend John P. Smyth chose to forego a professional basketball career in order to follow his religious vocation; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend John P. Smyth was ordained a Roman Catholic priest in April of 1962 and assumed an assignment which would shape his ministry; and

WHEREAS, For more than three decades, the Reverend John P. Smyth served as Executive Director for Maryville Academy, an institution which cares for abused, neglected and abandoned youth; and

WHEREAS, Though he retired from Maryville Academy in 2004, the Reverend John P. Smyth maintains his commitment to underprivileged children; and

WHEREAS, In 2005 the Reverend John P. Smyth created the Standing Tall Foundation, a charitable organization which provides academic scholarships to underprivileged and at-risk youth; and

WHEREAS, In 2008 the Reverend John P. Smyth assumed the role of President of Notre Dame College Prep High School in Niles; and

WHEREAS, On April 28, 2012, the Reverend John P. Smyth will celebrate fifty years of priesthood with a Mass at St. Emily's Church in Mount Prospect; and

WHEREAS, On June 9, 2012, a celebration marking the Reverend John P. Smyth's Golden Jubilee will be held at Gibson's Restaurant; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this fourteenth day of March, 2012, do hereby congratulate the Reverend John P. Smyth on the occasion of his Golden Jubilee and do hereby declare June 9, 2012 to be *The Reverend John P. Smyth Day* in Chicago; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Reverend John I Smyth.

Alderman - 14th Ward