

## City of Chicago



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## Office of the City Clerk

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**Meeting Date:** 9/24/2015

Sponsor(s): Burke (14)

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Title: Congratulations extended to Joyce Kosarek on 80th birthday

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** Joyce Kosarek, a longtime and widely admired resident of the Southwest Side, will celebrate the joyful occasion of her 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday on October 11, 2015; and

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

**WHEREAS**, Throughout her life, Joyce Kosarek has displayed a selfless dedication to her faith and her community; and

**WHEREAS,** Joyce Kosarek has served for more than 25 years as a Eucharistic Minister at Saint Simon the Apostle Church under the pastoral leadership of the Reverend Francis Kub and the Reverend Alfredo Gundrum; and

**WHEREAS,** Whatever the need, Joyce Kosarek has always extended a helping hand as an usher, altar server, or in the kitchen assisting the parish's annual "Breakfast With Santa"; and

**WHEREAS**, Joyce Kosarek is a familiar presence in the 14<sup>th</sup> Ward, particularly to the elderly or those dealing with health issues; and

**WHEREAS,** A person of immense generosity and kindness toward others, Joyce Kosarek often visits patients in the hospital, devotes an entire day to be with someone who is undergoing outpatient surgery and drives patients to follow-up visits with the doctor; and

**WHEREAS,** Joyce Kosarek also makes visits to nursing homes and assisted living centers, bringing bread and pastries from a neighborhood bakery; and

**WHEREAS,** Every Christmas, Joyce Kosarek puts together holiday baskets containing fruit and her own home-baked kolacky and distributes them as gifts; and

**WHEREAS,** Joyce Kosarek lovingly cared for her husband, Ray, until he lost his battle with cancer, and despite her own hardships contributes countless hours enhancing the lives of others; and

**WHEREAS**, The goodness, sacrifice and dedication of Joyce Kosarek 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 twenty-fourth day of September 2015, do hereby congratulate Joyce Kosarek on the occasion of her 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday and do hereby express our warmest and best wished for her continued happiness and prosperity; and

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

Alderman - 14th Ward