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Title:	Congratulations extended to Reverend Daniel Lenihan
Committee(s) Assignment:	

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Father Daniel Lenihan, a Trappist monk, will celebrate the joyful occasion of his 105th Birthday on July 28, 2012, at New Malleray Abbey in Peosta, Iowa; and

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

WHEREAS, Father Daniel Lenihan was born in 1907 in Chicago and baptized at Visitation Parish; and

WHEREAS, Father Daniel Lenihan worked in the banking industry for twenty years; and

WHEREAS, During World War II, Father Daniel Lenihan served his country as a Sergeant in counter-intelligence in England, France and Germany; and

WHEREAS, Following his honorable discharge from military duty, Father Daniel Lenihan read an article about New Malleray Abbey in *Look Magazine* and decided to join the community; and

WHEREAS, The monks of New Melleray are Catholics, professing the Rule of St. Benedict in the spirit of the founders of Citeaux, as handed on in the tradition of the Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance, within a community wholly orientated to a contemplative life of prayer; and

WHEREAS, Father Daniel Lenihan entered the Benedictine order on May 17, 1946, and received his novice habit on September 8, 1948; and

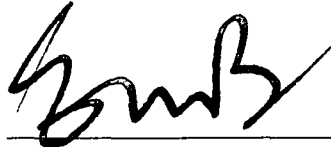
WHEREAS, Father Daniel Lenihan was ordained on May 3, 1955, and has devoted sixty-five years to monastic life; and

WHEREAS, Father Daniel Lenihan has worked on the construction of the new wings of the Abbey, served as Guest Master and been the Mass Secretary and Spiritual Director of his community; and

WHEREAS, Friends of the Abbey have been blessed not only by the dedication of Father Daniel Lenihan, but also by his good humor; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twenty-fifth day of July, 2012, do hereby congratulate Father Daniel Lenihan on the occasion of his 105th Birthday and do hereby declare that July 28, 2012, shall be officially recognized as **Father Daniel Lenihan Day** throughout the City of Chicago; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Father Daniel Lenihan.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'GMB' with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Alderman – 14th Ward