

## City of Chicago



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## Office of the City Clerk

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**Meeting Date:** 6/17/2015

Sponsor(s): Burke (14)

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Title: Congratulations extended to William J. Hennigan on

receiving 2015 Gerald R. Ford Prize for Distinguished

Reporting on National Defense

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, William J. Hennigan, a native of Chicago and a widely respected member of the journalism community, has been honored with the 2015 Gerald R. Ford Prize for Distinguished Reporting on National Defense; and

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

WHEREAS, Bestowed by the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation, the prize was first awarded in 1988 and recognizes journalistic excellence and seeks to foster a better public understanding of the presidency and national defense issues; and

WHEREAS, The Foundation is a private, nonprofit, nonpartisan corporation whose programs are supported entirely by contributions and bequests in an effort to honor President Ford's sustained commitment to public service; and

WHEREAS, William J. Hennigan is currently assigned to cover the Pentagon and national security issues for the Los Angeles Times' Washington, D.C., bureau; and

WHEREAS, William J. Hennigan previously worked for the newspaper in Los Angeles as its aerospace and defense beat writer for more than five years; and

WHEREAS, Before joining the newspaper, William J. Hennigan was a staff writer for the *East Valley Tribune* in Arizona and a writer for the *Legal Times* in Washington, D.C.; and

*WHEREAS,* Raised on Chicago's South Side, William J. Hennigan earned degrees from Northern Illinois University and Arizona State University; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, professionalism and dedication of William J. Hennigan 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 seventeenth day of June, 2015, do hereby congratulate William J. Hennigan on receiving this prestigious honor and do hereby express our best wishes for his continued success and achievement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to William J. Hennigan.

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