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Congratulations extended to Dominic Difrisco

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION SALUTING HONORARY STREET NAME DESIGNATION FOR DOMINIC DIFRISCO

WHEREAS, Dominic DiFrisco is being honored for his dedicated service to the community with the honorary renaming of a portion of North Astor Street as "Dominic DiFrisco Way"; and

WHEREAS, Dominic DiFrisco has had a long and distinguished career at Edelman Public Relations, representing among others the Illinois Department of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse, Illinois Department of Public Health, the Secretary of State, the Mayor's Office of Employment and Training, Gatorade, McDonald's and Kerr-McGee Corporation. Mr. DiFrisco has served on the boards of the Illinois Arts Alliance, the Regional Organ Bank of Illinois and has served as co-chair of Children's Memorial Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DiFrisco's passion has been community and public service, particularly in the field of tolerance. Mr. DiFrisco has received numerous awards from the Italian-American, African-American and Native American communities and served as co-chair for an Israel Bond event and on the board of the Chinese-American Service League. Governor George Ryan appointed Mr. DiFrisco as Commissioner of the Illinois Human Rights Commission, and he is Chairman Emeritus of the Board of the Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii. He previously served as Chairman of two telethons benefiting the United Negro College Fund; and

WHEREAS, Dominic DiFrisco is a Commendatore of the Republic of Italy and President Emerituts of the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans. He was a feature columnist for Fra Noi, an Italian-American newspaper and speaks Italian fluently; and

WHEREAS, the family of Dominic DiFrisco, including his lovely wife Carol, daughter and son-in-law Nina and Bob and grandson Pasquale share the city's pride in his accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Michele Smith, Alderman of the 43<sup>rd</sup> Ward has apprised this august body of the noteworthy accomplishments of this fine citizen and that she is introducing legislation to prepare the honorary street signage; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this third day of October, 2012, A.D., do hereby salute Dominic DiFisco and his family and express our heartfelt wish for continued success.

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Dominic DiFrisco.

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MICHELE SMITH Alderman – 43<sup>rd</sup> Ward

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