

## City of Chicago



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## Office of the City Clerk

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Sponsor(s):

Burke, Edward M. (14)

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Congratulations extended to Reverend Monsignor John Canary on retirement and declaration of June 23, 2013 as "Reverend Monsignor John Canary Day" in Chicago

Committee(s) Assignment:

## RESOLUTION

- **WHEREAS**, On June 30, 2013, the Reverend Monsignor John Canary will officially retire from his position as Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Chicago; and
- WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this special event by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and
- WHEREAS, Born and raised on Chicago's South Side, the Reverend Monsignor John Canary attended Christ the King Parish grammar school and Quigley Seminary; and
- **WHEREAS,** The Reverend Monsignor John Canary earned a bachelor's degree from Niles College of Loyola University Chicago, a master's in applied spirituality from the University of San Francisco, and a Doctor of Ministry and an Honorary Doctorate in Sacred Theology from the University of St. Mary of the Lake; and
- WHEREAS, Ordained to the Holy Priesthood on May 14, 1969, the Reverend Monsignor John Canary was an Associate Pastor at St. Irenaeus Parish in Park Forest for three years and then spent more than three decades in outstanding service in the formation of Chicago priests and seminarians at the University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary; and
- **WHEREAS**, In 2006 the Reverend Monsignor John Canary was appointed Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Chicago where he faithfully oversaw the day-to-day management and administration of the third-largest Catholic diocese in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, In his retirement, the Reverend Monsignor John Canary will continue his vital work by giving retreats and providing spiritual direction; and
- WHEREAS, Over the years, the Reverend Monsignor John Canary has shared his spirit of leadership, wisdom and insight with many in Chicago and beyond; and
- **WHEREAS,** The hard work, dedication and faith of the Reverend Monsignor John Canary serve as an outstanding example to us all; and
- **WHEREAS**, On June 23, 2013, friends, family and admirers will gather at Holy Family Church to honor the Reverend Monsignor John Canary for his more than four decades of tireless and loving ministry to the Catholic faithful; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this fifth day of June, 2013, do hereby commend the Reverend Monsignor Canary for his tireless devotion to the principles and mission of the Catholic Church and do hereby declare that June 23 2013, shall be recognized as **Reverend Monsignor John Canary Day** throughout the City of Chicago; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Reverend Monsignor John Canary.

Alderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward