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Congratulations extended to Reverend Monsignor Patrick J.

Pollard

Committee(s) Assignment:

SALUTE TO MONSIGNOR PATRICK POLLARD'S 40 YEARS IN THE PREISTHOOD

WHEREAS, The Right Reverend Monsignor Patrick J. Pollard, an outstanding spiritual leader and arguably the busiest priest in the Archdiocese of Chicago, celebrated four decades as a priest on May 10, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Monsignor Patrick Pollard gives new meaning to the concept of multi-tasking. He has served at eight diocesan parishes, currently installed as pastor of the historic Notre Dame de Chicago in Little Italy community. The late Joseph Cardinal Bernadin appointed him to the post of Director of Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic Cemeteries in 1984 and he is currently serving his ninth elected term on the Board of Directors of the Priests' Retirement and Mutual Aid Association. In 2010, His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI elevated him as one of the Pope's Chaplain and bestowed upon him the honorary title of Monsignor, only one of twenty priests to receive such honors that year; and

WHEREAS, Monsignor Pollard was born in the City of Chicago, September 28, 1946. He attended St. Bede the Venerable grade school, Brother Rice, Quigley South High Schools and completed seminary studies at St. Mary of the Lake Seminary in Mundelein, Illinois. He was ordained as Archdiocese of Chicago priest in1972. During his forty years, he has served at St. Henry from 1972 to 1977, St. Clotilde from 1977 to 1982, St. Thomas Moore from 1982 to 1983, St. Barnabas from 1983 to 1990, St. Colette in the suburb of Rolling Meadows from 1990 to 1993, St. Denis from 1993 to 1997, and Christ the King from 1997 to 2007. He was appointed pastor at Notre Dame de Chicago by His Eminence Francis Cardinal George in 2007; and

WHEREAS, As Pastor of Notre Dame parish, Monsignor Pollard also serves as pastor for Children of Peace Catholic School, an amalgamation of three parish schools located in the Illinois Medical District which includes the Holy Trinity School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, the only Catholic elementary school for such children in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert W, Fioretti, Alderman of the 2nd Ward, has apprised this august body of the significant milestone passed by this noteworthy and indefatigable man of God; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council gathered together this 27th Day of June, 2012 AD, do hereby salute the Right Reverend Monsignor Patrick J. Pollard on the occasion of the 40th Anniversary of his ordination and extend our very best wishes for continued success in each of his many undertakings now and in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Right Reverend Monsignor Patrick J. Pollard.

OBERT W FIORETTI

Alderman - 2nd Ward