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Title:	Congratulations extended to Tom Dreesen on his legendary career as a comedian and declaration of September 27, 2016 as "Tom Dreesen Day" in Chicago
Committee(s) Assignment:	

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, “An Evening With Tom Dreesen” will be held on Tuesday, September 27, 2016, at the Museum of Broadcast Communications in Chicago to celebrate his remarkable life and talent as a renowned Chicago comedian; and

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

WHEREAS, During his career as a stand-up comedian, Tom Dreesen has made more than 500 appearances on national television and more than 60 appearances on *The Tonight Show*; and

WHEREAS, *Daily Variety* has called Tom Dreesen “a thorough pro...one of the most respected family comedians of our time”; and

WHEREAS, For thirteen years, Tom Dreesen toured as the opening act for Frank Sinatra and has appeared countless times in Las Vegas, Tahoe, Reno and Atlantic City where he opened shows for entertainers such as Smokey Robinson, Liza Minnelli, Natalie Cole and Sammy Davis Jr; and

WHEREAS, A proud United States Navy veteran, Tom Dreesen continues to perform for troops at bases worldwide; and

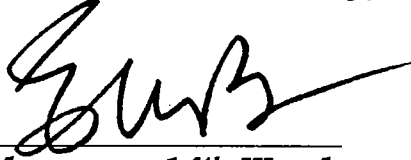
WHEREAS, For thirty years, Tom Dreesen has lent his talent to more than 100 charities and founded “A Day for Darlene,” an organization named after his late sister which benefits Multiple Sclerosis research; and

WHEREAS, Tom Dreesen is currently appearing in his one-man stand-up act, “An Evening of Laughter and Memories of Sinatra”; and

WHEREAS, Tom Dreesen is truly a Chicago treasure richly deserving of our admiration and respect; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this fourteenth day of September, 2016, do hereby congratulate Tom Dreesen on his legendary career as a stand-up comedian and do hereby declare that September 27, 2016, shall be officially recognized as “Tom Dreesen Day” throughout the City of Chicago; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Tom Dreesen.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'GWB', written over a horizontal line.

Alderman – 14th Ward