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Congratulations extended to Don Hayner

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Don Hayner has announced his retirement as Editor-in-Chief of the Chicago *Sun-Times* following a highly distinguished tenure which spanned more than thirty years of service at the newspaper; and

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

WHEREAS, A resident of Chicago's Beverly community, Don Hayner began his professional career as a criminal defense attorney before deciding to pursue journalism; and

WHEREAS, Don Hayner first worked as a reporter at City News Bureau of Chicago, the City's legendary wire service which once fed news stories for more than a century to media outlets that included newspapers, national wire services, television and radio stations; and

WHEREAS, Don Hayner next landed a job with the Chicago Tribune's Suburban Trib in 1979 before joining the Sun-Times in 1982 as a general assignment reporter; and

WHEREAS, Don Hayner rose through the ranks of the *Chicago Sun-Times* to become City Editor, Metro Editor and Managing Editor before being named Editor-in-Chief in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Don Hayner, the *Chicago Sun-Times* won a 2011 Pulitzer Prize for local reporting; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his work as a journalist, Don Hayner also coauthored three books with his colleague Tom McNamee and hosted a talk radio show on WLS-AM during the 1990s; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his illustrious career, Don Hayner upheld the highest and most noble traditions of journalistic ethics; now, therefore

*BE IT RESOLVED*, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this eighteenth day of April, 2012, do hereby congratulate Don Hayner on his retirement and do hereby recognize and salute his many outstanding contributions to Chicago journalism; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Don Hayner.

Alderman - 14th Ward