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Title: Renaming of street formerly known as "West Access Road" as "James J. O'Connor Road"
Sponsors: Burke, Edward M., Munoz, Ricardo
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Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
7/26/2017	1	City Council	Passed as Substitute	Pass
7/25/2017	1	Committee on Transportation and Public Way	Substituted in Committee	Pass
3/23/2017	1	Committee on Transportation and Public Way	Held in Committee	
2/22/2017	1	City Council	Referred	

SUBS TITUTE ORDINANCE

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WHEREAS, James J. O'Connor was elected to the Chicago Business Hall of Fame in 1987, received the Daniel Burnham Award from the Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce in 1994 and was the recipient of the "Making History Award" from the Chicago History Museum for Distinction in Corporate Leadership and Innovation in 2004; and

WHEREAS, a forty-year member of the Board of Directors of the 100 Club of Chicago, James J. O'Connor is a Retired Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Unicom Corporation and its subsidiary, Commonwealth Edison Company; and

WHEREAS, James J. O'Connor worked with a group to create the Big Shoulders Fund to benefit inner-city, Catholic schools and the children they serve. As the founding Chairman, he continues to lead the organization. Under his leadership, the organization has served tens of thousands of children and raised more than \$310 million for their benefit.

WHEREAS, the hard work, sacrifice and dedication of James J. O'Connor serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, ComEd owns the private road that will be renamed in honor of James J. O'Connor and has granted the City of Chicago permission to make the change; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

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SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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