

CITY OF CHICAGO

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON FINANCE ROOM 302 CITY HALL

ALDERMAN EDWARD M. BURKE CHAIRMAN TELEPHONE 744-3380

August 3, 2010

The Family of Mal Bellairs c/o 1710 South Eastwood Avenue Woodstock, IL 60098-4657

Dear Members of the Bellairs Family,

Please accept my condolences on the loss of Mal Bellairs. I also extend my sympathy to all of those who knew and admired him.

As a token of our admiration and esteem, the Chicago City Council has adopted a resolution in memory of Mal. Enclosed with this letter please find a parchment copy of this resolution. Although this kind of commemoration can never replace your personal loss, I hope, in some small way, it demonstrates our respect for his memory.

Yours truly,

Edward M. Burke

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Enclosure

A resolution

of the City Council of the City of Chicago, Illinois



Presented by Alderman Edward M. Burke on July 28, 2010

Whereas, Mal Bellairs has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of ninety; and

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

WHEREAS, A resident of Woodstock, Mal Bellairs was a radio legend and the loving husband of Maria and the late Jo; and

WHEREAS, A native of Cheyenne, Wyoming, Mal Bellairs joined WBBM-AM Radio in 1955 and established himself early on in his career as a "gentleman broadcaster"; and

WHEREAS, Mal Bellairs' resonating voice and comfortable style made him a household name in Chicagoland; and

WHEREAS, Mal Bellairs served at the station until 1969 when he purchased WIVS-AM Radio in Crystal Lake; and

WHEREAS, A few years later, Mal Bellairs bought WXRD-FM radio in Woodstock; and

WHEREAS, Mal Bellairs operated the stations until he sold them in 1982, but continued his daily radio show for a few more years; and

WHEREAS, Mal Bellairs was a highly talented radio personality whose career spanned nearly fifty years; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Mal Bellairs serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, Mal Bellairs will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Mal Bellairs imparts a legacy of faithfulness, service and dignity; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twenty-eighth day of July, 2010, do hereby commemorate Mal Bellairs for his grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to his family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mal Bellairs.

Mayor Mayor

City Clerk