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**OBITUARIES**

**MARY GATES**

SEATTLE (AP) - Mary Gates, a director of major banking and communications corporations and mother of Microsoft Corp. Chairman Bill Gates, died early yesterday after a long battle with cancer. She was 64. In addition to her son and her husband, William H. Gates Jr., she is survived by two daughters, Kristianne Blake and Elizabeth Armintrout.
Parading family pride

Marshal follows dad in Puerto Rico march

By LARRY NUSON
Daily News Staff Writer

Tomorrow’s Puerto Rican Day Parade will be a family affair for Robin (Nick) Lopez. Her father, Nick, served as grand marshal a few years back. This time he shares the honors.

“I think I made a mistake,” Lopez said yesterday. “My dad is 75 years old and I’m 35.”

Lopez, who grew up in New York and moved to Puerto Rico more than 30 years ago, when she lived in El Barrio.

“I have a story about how my dad taught me about the Puerto Rican culture. When I was a kid, he taught me how to read and write English, and later went into the hotel business himself.”

Lopez has run a similar business on E. 116 St. Before that, he worked at the United Nations and for TWA for more than 30 years. He and his wife, Narda, live in New Jersey.

The parade, which kicks off at noon and runs for about 3 hours, is expected to attract thousands of people.

It’s also a sign of a party. Dozens of floats will parade along the parade route. City officials expect more than 1 million people to attend.

“Let’s hope the weather cooperates,” said Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

The parade will feature floats, dancers, and music. The parade route runs from 3rd Ave. to 5th Ave.

Council pushes role as cop watchdog

By JOEL HEBERLE and ELLEN TUNSTED
Daily News Staff Writers

Introducing its battle with Mayor Michael Bloomberg, the City Council yesterday approved a bill that would give the council more power to monitor the police department.

Since Mayor Bloomberg took office, the Police Department has been under review for alleged corruption and misconduct.

“This is a significant step forward in holding the police department accountable,” said Councilman Peter Vallone.

The bill, which was approved by a vote of 46-11, requires the police department to report quarterly on the number of complaints and investigations.

“It’s about time the council was given the tools it needs to do its job,” said Councilman Joe Ganim.

The council also approved a bill that would increase the maximum fine for a traffic violation.

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She was the wife of Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates and daughter of IBM co-founder John D. Watson.

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