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## ***RESOLUTION***

***WHEREAS***, Pope Shenouda III has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-eight; and

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

***WHEREAS***, The Patriarch of the Coptic Orthodox Church, Pope Shenouda III led Egypt's ten million Coptic Christians for more than four decades; and

***WHEREAS***, Intellectual and charismatic, Pope Shenouda III succeeded in expanding the reach of the Coptic Christian Church, particularly into North America; and

***WHEREAS***, Born in Asyut, Egypt, Pope Shenouda III attended Cairo University and became a monk in 1954 and Pope in 1971; and

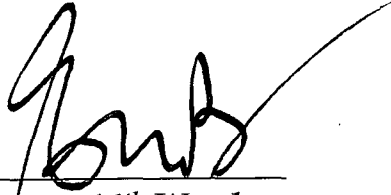
***WHEREAS***, Pope Shenouda III worked hard to shepherd his followers through years of discrimination and sectarian violence, and was seen by many as a strong and inspiring leader; and

***WHEREAS***, President Obama described Pope Shenouda III as a beloved advocate for tolerance and religious dialogue; and

***WHEREAS***, To his beloved family, Pope Shenouda III 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 eighteenth day of April, 2012, do hereby commemorate Pope Shenouda III 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 Pope Shenouda III.

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

*Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward*