

## City of Chicago



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## Office of the City Clerk

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**Meeting Date:** 7/30/2014

Sponsor(s): Burke (14)

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Title: Tribute to late R. Bruce Duchossois

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION

- **WHEREAS,** R. Bruce Duchossois has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 64; and
- **WHEREAS,** The Chicago City Council has been informed of his passing by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and
- **WHEREAS,** R. Bruce Duchossois was one of four children born to Beverly and Richard Duchossois of Flossmoor; and
- **WHEREAS,** R. Bruce Duchossois possessed an exceptional combination of accomplishment and humility, joy of life and kindness; and
- **WHEREAS**, An accomplished and celebrated horseman, R. Bruce Duchossois was a stalwart supporter and active member of the horse community in both Aiken, South Carolina and Wellington, Florida; and
- **WHEREAS,** R. Bruce Duchossois gained national attention when he competitively rode his famed hunter, *Kim's Song*, in 1973 to win the American Horse Shows Association Horse of the Year; and
- **WHEREAS,** The victory aboard *Kim's Song* was considered both the launch and the highlight of R. Bruce Duchossois' equestrian career; and
- **WHEREAS,** Over the next four decades R. Bruce Duchossois earned a reputation as one of the nation's leading exhibitors in the highly competitive Adult Amateur Hunter division and won numerous championships and circuit awards; and
- **WHEREAS,** R. Bruce Duchossois was inducted into the National Show Hunter Hall of Fame and was a Director of the National Horse Show Association; and
- **WHEREAS,** R. Bruce Duchossois was also an Executive Board Member of the Equestrian Aid Foundation which honored him with its Luminary Award; and
- **WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared R. Bruce Duchossois to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and
- **WHEREAS,** R. Bruce Duchossois will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and
- **WHEREAS**, To his life partner of 32 years, Jack Wetzel, his father, Richard Duchossois, his stepmother, Judi, his brother, Craig, and his two sisters, Dayle and Kimberly, and his many nephews and nieces, R. Bruce Duchossois 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 thirtieth day of July, 2014, do hereby commemorate R. Bruce Duchossois 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 R. Bruce Duchossois.

Alderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward