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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Lewis Katz has gone to his eternal reward at the age of 72; and

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

WHEREAS, A resident of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, Lewis Katz was a visionary business leader and the loving husband of the late Marjorie J; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Katz was the much-adored father of Melissa and Drew, the dear brother of Sandra, and the grandfather of four; and

WHEREAS, Raised in a working class family in the Parkside section of Camden, New Jersey, Lewis Katz was raised by his mother, a secretary at RCA, after his father died when he was young; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Katz graduated first in his class from Dickinson Law School and made a fortune by investing in New York parking lots, billboards and a sports cable television network; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Katz went on to purchase the NBA's New Jersey Nets, the NHL's New Jersey Devils and became a co-owner of the *Philadelphia Inquirer*; and

WHEREAS, A generous philanthropist, Lewis Katz was a benefactor of Dickinson Law School, Temple University Medical School and the Boys & Girls Clubs as well as many other worthwhile causes; and

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

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Lewis Katz 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, Lewis Katz was an individual of great integrity and accomplishment who will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Lewis Katz 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-fifth day of June, 2014, do hereby commemorate Lewis Katz 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 Lewis Katz.



Alderman - 14th Ward

