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**Title:** Tribute to late Kenneth W. Sain  
**Committee(s) Assignment:**

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth W. Sain has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 85; and

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

**WHEREAS**, Ken is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years, Sharon (née King), three children Ken (Lindsey) Sain, Kelly (Derek) Scully and Karolee (Chris) Keller and six grandchildren.; and

**WHEREAS**, The youngest of three children, Ken was born in Chicago and grew up on the south side of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Ken's dad, Frank was Military Police in WWI and returned to Chicago as a guard at the city jail, where he worked his way up the ranks and was selected as Warden of Cook County Jail; and

**WHEREAS**, As son of a Warden, Ken lived onsite at the jail learning an important life lesson that everyone matters, and to show respect to all people, including inmates; and

**WHEREAS**, After graduating from Fenwick High School, Ken stayed in Chicago and attended Loyola University where he founded Sigma Delta Phi Fraternity; and

**WHEREAS**, After college, Ken became a Sheriff's Deputy patrolling on a motorcycle while his father was Sheriff of Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, Ken joined the Navy and attended Officer Candidate School (OCS); and

**WHEREAS**, Upon completion of OCS, Ken was assigned to the Navy's legal office to prosecute court martials; and

**WHEREAS**, With Ken's unique background in law enforcement and military prosecutor, doors opened to top law schools; and

**WHEREAS**, Ken received his J. D. from Vanderbilt Law School; and

**WHEREAS**, Ken joined the City of Chicago's Law Department after graduating from law school and worked with communities and police during turbulent times and protests; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1968, Ken joined the Mayor's office under Richard J. Daley and built a strong relationship with the Mayor, and ultimately rose up the ranks to become Deputy Mayor of Chicago; and

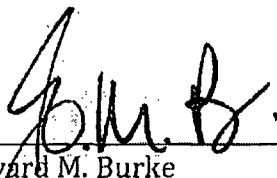
**WHEREAS**, Around this same time, Ken dated Sharon King and married after months of courtship; and

**WHEREAS**, Ken and Sharon had a beautiful partnership and made married life look easy, even holding hands after 53 years of marriage; and

**WHEREAS**, To his beloved family, Kenneth W. Sain 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 twentieth day of July, 2022, do hereby commemorate Kenneth W. Sain 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 Kenneth W. Sain.

  
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Edward M. Burke  
Alderman, 14<sup>th</sup> Ward