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## City Council Document Tracking Sheet

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<b>Sponsor(s):</b>	Burke, Edward M. (14)
<b>Type:</b>	Resolution
<b>Title:</b>	Tribute to late John S. Tan
<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, John S. Tan has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-nine; and

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

**WHEREAS**, John S. Tan was a widely renowned Chinatown civic leader and the loving husband of Rhea; and

**WHEREAS**, John S. Tan was the much-adored father of six children and the grandfather of twelve to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS**, A native of China, John S. Tan fought against the Japanese in Burma during World War II; and

**WHEREAS**, John S. Tan came to Chicago in 1954 where he earned bachelor degrees in both mechanical and electrical engineering; and

**WHEREAS**, John S. Tan flourished as a businessman and eventually became involved in community development; and

**WHEREAS**, John S. Tan rose to become the Chairman of the Chinese American Development Corporation; and

**WHEREAS**, John S. Tan was a visionary civic leader who played an influential role in the development of Chinatown Square; and

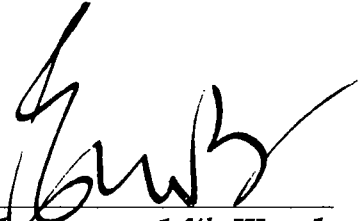
**WHEREAS**, John S. Tan led the acquisition of thirty-two acres of vacant railroad land which became a mix of shops, townhomes and a high-rise senior living center; and

**WHEREAS**, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of John S. Tan serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS**, To his beloved family, John S. Tan 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 thirteenth day of March, 2013, do hereby commemorate John S. Tan 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 John S. Tan.

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

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