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Tribute to late Joseph M. Smith, Jr.

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Joseph M. Smith, Jr., has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 86; and

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

WHEREAS, A native of the South Side, Joseph M. Smith, Jr., was a longtime Chicago Public Schools administrator and the loving husband of Linda; and

WHEREAS, Joseph M. Smith, Jr., was the much-adored father of Joseph III, Dale, Kimberley and Neveda, grandfather of eleven and the great-grandfather of one to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Joseph M. Smith, Jr., served his country as a member of the Army Air Corps during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Joseph M. Smith, Jr., influenced the lives of countless students as a teacher and administrator throughout his long and fruitful career; and

WHEREAS, Joseph M. Smith, Jr., served as the Principal of Harlan High School on the South Side from 1975 until his retirement in 1988; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Joseph M. Smith, Jr., serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Joseph M. Smith, Jr., 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, Joseph M. Smith, Jr., 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, Joseph M. Smith, Jr., 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 Joseph M. Smith, Jr., 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 Joseph M. Smith, Jr.

Alderman - 14th Ward