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| Title: | Tribute to late Louis le Brocquy |
| Committee(s) Assignment: | |

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Louis le Brocquy has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of ninety-five; and

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

WHEREAS, An Irish expressionist painter, Louis le Brocquy was the loving and devoted husband of Anne Madden; and

WHEREAS, Louis le Brocquy was the much-adored father of Pierre and Alexis to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities which he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, A native of Dublin, Louis le Brocquy was best known for his abstract paintings of Ireland's famous literary and artistic figures; and

WHEREAS, Louis le Brocquy was an accomplished painter in oil and watercolors, an illustrator, lithographer, sculptor and tapestry maker; and

WHEREAS, Louis le Brocquy studied art in London and Venice before living on the French Riviera during the late 1930s; and

WHEREAS, Louis le Brocquy returned to Ireland to avoid the Nazi occupation of France and remained in his native land for the remainder of his career; and

WHEREAS, A member of Ireland's cultural elite, Louis le Brocquy painted legendary Irish writers such as Samuel Beckett, James Joyce, and W.B. Yeats; and

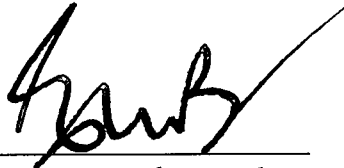
WHEREAS, In 2007 Louis le Brocquy received Ireland's highest honor, the Freedom of the City; and

WHEREAS, At the time of his death, Louis le Brocquy was considered Ireland's greatest living painter; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Louis le Brocquy 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 ninth day of May, 2012, do hereby commemorate Louis le Brocquy 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 Louis le Brocquy.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. B.', is written above a horizontal line.

Alderman - 14th Ward