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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Mickey Rooney has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of ninety-three; and

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

WHEREAS, Mickey Rooney was an iconic American film star who was one of the most enduring and popular performers in show business history; and

WHEREAS, Mickey Rooney appeared in more than 300 films and brought joy to generations of fans, from his early roles as a child star to his later portrayals of character actors; and

WHEREAS, Born Joseph Yule, Jr., in Brooklyn, New York, to actor parents, Mickey Rooney got his start performing on the vaudeville stage and in silent films; and

WHEREAS, Mickey Rooney was made a contract player for MGM in 1934; and

WHEREAS, In 1937 Mickey Rooney landed the role of Andy Hardy in the iconic film series which propelled him to national acclaim and popularity for his feisty teen-aged antics and boy-next-door charm; and

WHEREAS, Mickey Rooney soon became the top box office draw in the country and appeared in *Boys Town* with Spencer Tracy and alongside Judy Garland in a string of widely-acclaimed musicals; and

WHEREAS, After serving in World War II entertaining the troops, Mickey Rooney returned to Hollywood and carved out a career as a character actor in films such as *The Bridges of Toko-Ri* and *The Bold and the Brave*; and

WHEREAS, Mickey Rooney's long and illustrious career also included films such as *Requiem for a Heavyweight* and *The Black Stallion* for which he received an Oscar nomination for best supporting actor; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, talent and dedication of Mickey Rooney serve as an example to all; and

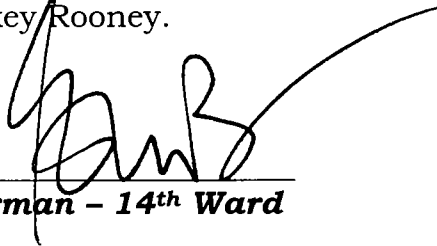
WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Mickey Rooney to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

WHEREAS, Mickey Rooney will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Mickey Rooney 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 thirtieth day of April, 2014, do hereby commemorate Mickey Rooney 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 Mickey Rooney.

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

Alderman - 14th Ward