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Resolution

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Tribute to late Honorable Paul Plunkett

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable Paul Plunkett has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 82; and

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

WHEREAS, A longtime resident of Glenview, the Honorable Paul Plunkett was a retired federal judge and the loving husband for nearly sixty years of Martha; and

WHEREAS, Paul Plunkett was the much-adored father of Kevin, Scott, Steven and Andrew and the grandfather of ten to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Paul Plunkett was the dear brother of Ann and Warren; and

WHEREAS, A native of Boston, Massachusetts, the Honorable Paul Plunkett earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Harvard University; and

WHEREAS, As a federal prosecutor, the Honorable Paul Plunkett helped convict Teamster's leader Jimmy Hoffa of fraud in 1964; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Paul Plunkett was named to the federal bench in 1982 by President Ronald Reagan and presided over high-profile cases, including the 1966 conviction of eight members or associates of the Gangster Disciples; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Paul Plunkett served with distinction in the Northern District of Illinois until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his lengthy career as a jurist, the Honorable Paul Plunkett ably served as a law professor at John Marshall Law School, Loyola University Chicago School of Law and Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University in Phoenix; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Honorable Paul Plunkett serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Paul Plunkett 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, the Honorable Paul Plunkett 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 eighteenth day of April, 2018, do hereby commemorate the Honorable Paul Plunkett 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 the Honorable Paul Plunkett.

Alderman – 14th Ward