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Tribute to late Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney has gone to her eternal reward at the age of 45; and

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

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney was a widely admired member of the judiciary and the loving wife for 19 years of Timothy; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney was the muchadored mother of Timothy, Thomas and Colleen to whom she imparted values of character and kindness; and

WHEREAS, Raised in Oak Lawn, the Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney was the beloved daughter of Thomas, a telephone company employee, and Jean, a schoolteacher; and the dear sister of Thomas; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney graduated from Loyola University School of Law in Chicago and began her legal career by clerking for then-Illinois Appellate Court Justice Mary Jane Theis and Illinois Supreme Court Justice Mary Ann McMorrow; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney joined the law firm of Quinlan & Crisham which became Schuyler, Roche & Crisham; and

**WHEREAS,** During her highly illustrious legal career, the Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney argued cases on numerous occasions before the Illinois Supreme Court and generously gave of her time and talents to handle pro-bono cases; and

**WHEREAS,** Widely admired for her legal knowledge and expertise, the Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney was elected President of the Illinois Appellate Lawyers Association; and

**WHEREAS,** In 2010 the Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney was appointed to a vacancy on the bench and was elected in 2012 as a Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** Her love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared the Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney to her family members, friends and all who knew her, and enabled her to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney was an individual of great integrity and accomplishment who will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To her beloved family, the Honorable Jean Prendergast 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 thirteenth day of January, 2016, do hereby commemorate the Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney for her grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to her family; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of the Honorable Jean Prendergast Rooney.

Alderman - 14th Ward