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## City Council Document Tracking Sheet

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	12/12/2012
<b>Sponsor(s):</b>	Burke, Edward M. (14)
<b>Type:</b>	Resolution
<b>Title:</b>	Tribute to late George Kokines.
<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** George Kokines has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-two; and

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

**WHEREAS,** George Kokines was a renowned Chicago artist who won widespread acclaim as an abstract expressionist painter; and

**WHEREAS,** Raised on the North Side, George Kokines served in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War; and

**WHEREAS,** George Kokines graduated from the Art Institute of Chicago and rose to prominence in the 1960s; and

**WHEREAS,** Known for his bold, colorful works of art, George Kokines spent much of his career in New York City before returning to Chicago in 2005 where he painted in his Rogers Park studio; and

**WHEREAS,** George Kokines' paintings are exhibited in Chicago and New York City as well as in Argentina and Italy; and

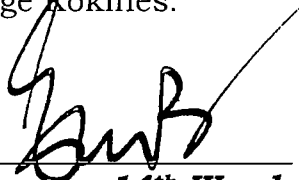
**WHEREAS,** George Kokines taught art at Northwestern University and the University of Wisconsin at Madison; and

**WHEREAS,** George Kokines was an artist of immense talent and a beloved colleague to many; and

**WHEREAS,** To his daughter, Anna Miller, and his beloved family, George Kokines 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 twelfth day of December, 2012, do hereby commemorate George Kokines 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 George Kokines.

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

**Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**