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<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Richard S. Schweiker has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 89; and

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

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Richard S. Schweiker was a former United States Senator and Congressman from Pennsylvania who served under President Ronald Reagan as Secretary of Health and Human Services; and

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Richard S. Schweiker was born in Norristown, Pennsylvania and was an electrical technician on an aircraft carrier in the United States Navy during World War II; and

**WHEREAS**, After returning home from the war, the Honorable Richard S. Schweiker graduated from Pennsylvania State University and joined the family business, the American Olean Tile Company; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1955 the Honorable Richard S. Schweiker married Claire Joan Coleman, the host of the children's television show, *Romper Room*, and the couple raised five children; and

**WHEREAS**, A Republican who was widely respected for his independence, the Honorable Richard S. Schweiker served in Congress from 1960 to 1968 and in the Senate from 1969 to 1981; and

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Richard S. Schweiker was also President Reagan's vice presidential running mate in the unsuccessful 1976 bid for the White House; and

**WHEREAS**, During his tenure as a legislator on Capitol Hill, the Honorable Richard S. Schweiker was known for his liberal views, but later adopted a more conservative agenda; and

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Richard S. Schweiker was Secretary of Health and Human Services from 1981 to 1983; and

**WHEREAS**, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Honorable Richard S. Schweiker serve as an example to all; and

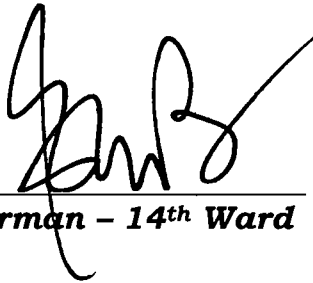
**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared the Honorable Richard S. Schweiker to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Richard S. Schweiker 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 Richard S. Schweiker 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 twenty-fourth day of September 2015, do hereby commemorate the Honorable Richard S. Schweiker 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 Richard S. Schweiker.

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

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