



# City of Chicago



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

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Edward A. Sprinkle has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 90; and

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

**WHEREAS**, A resident of Palos Heights, Edward A. Sprinkle was a former standout member of the Chicago Bears football team and the loving husband of the late Marian, nee Carlson; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward A. Sprinkle was the much-adored father of Edward, Robert and Susan, the grandfather of five and the great-grandfather of seven to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS**, A native of Tuscola, Texas, Edward A. Sprinkle attended the U.S. Naval Academy where he played football and tried out for the Chicago Bears in 1944; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward A. Sprinkle rose to fame as defensive end for the Chicago Bears and earned the nickname "The Claw" for his aggressive playing style; and

**WHEREAS**, Renowned for his ability to flatten quarterbacks with a single swing of his powerful forearm, Edward A. Sprinkle played in four pro bowls and was the last living member of the Chicago Bears 1946 Championship team; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward A. Sprinkle was a fan favorite who wore No. 7 on his jersey and retired from professional football after the 1955 season; and

**WHEREAS**, Following his professional football career, Edward A. Sprinkle owned a tile and carpeting store in the Mt. Greenwood neighborhood which he later relocated to Palos Park; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward A. Sprinkle also owned a bowling alley for a number of years in Chicago Ridge; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward A. Sprinkle was inducted into the Chicago Sports Hall of Fame in 1984; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Edward A. Sprinkle serve as an example to all; and

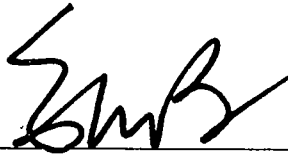
**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Edward A. Sprinkle to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

**WHEREAS,** Edward A. Sprinkle will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To his beloved family, Edward A. Sprinkle 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 tenth day of September, 2014, do hereby commemorate Edward A. Sprinkle 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 Edward A. Sprinkle.

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

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