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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Gene R. Summers has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-three; and

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

WHEREAS, Gene R. Summers was a renowned Chicago architect and the loving husband of Jacqueline; and

WHEREAS, Gene R. Summers was the much-adored father of Blake, Karen, Scott, and Ali and the grandfather of eight to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities which he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, A native of San Antonio, Texas, Gene R. Summers studied architecture at Texas A & M and earned a master's degree in the field from the Illinois Institute of Technology where he studied under Mies van der Rohe; and

WHEREAS, Gene R. Summers joined the firm of C. F. Murphy Associates in 1967 as Partner in charge of design and completed such notable projects as Chicago's McCormick Place Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, Gene R. Summers also worked as a real estate developer in California, and spent time in France pursuing his passion for art and the design of bronze furniture; and

WHEREAS, In 1972 Gene R. Summers was elected to the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects and in 1989 was named Dean of the College of Architecture at the Illinois Institute of Technology; and

WHEREAS, Gene R. Summers inspired the lives of countless people through his great personal goodness, charity and concern; and

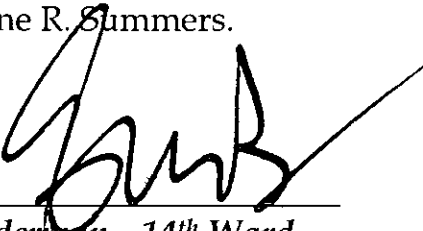
WHEREAS, The hard work, dedication and sacrifice of Gene R. Summers serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Gene R. Summers 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, To his beloved family, Gene R. Summers 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 January, 2012, do hereby commemorate Gene R. Summers 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 Gene R. Summers.



Alderman - 14th Ward