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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Howard Witt has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 85; and

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

WHEREAS, Howard Witt was a legendary Chicago character actor who achieved success both on stage and in television; and

WHEREAS, Howard Witt moved to Hollywood in the 1970s and appeared in more than 75 television shows, including *Kojak*, *The Bob Newhart Show*, *WKRP in Cincinnati*, *The Rockford Files*, *Archie Bunker's Place*, *Hill Street Blues* and *Law and Order*; and

WHEREAS, Above all else, Howard Witt enjoyed performing on the stage and resolutely believed that acting was a noble profession; and

WHEREAS, Howard Witt was most proud of his Tony nomination for his role at Goodman Theatre's production of Arthur Miller's *Death of a Salesman*; and

WHEREAS, A highly revered member of the theater community, Howard Witt was a mentor to generations of aspiring actors; and


WHEREAS, The talent, hard work and dedication of Howard Witt serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Howard Witt 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 three children, Robin, Deborah (C.P.D.) and Joshua, and his grandson, Howard Witt 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-sixth day of July, 2017, do hereby commemorate Howard Witt 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 Howard Witt.

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

Alderman - 14th Ward