

## City of Chicago

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Burke (14) Resolution

Recognition extended to Edith Stern, Holocaust survivor

Committee(s) Assignment:

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Edith Stern was a Holocaust survivor of the atrocities committed by the Nazis during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Edith Stern was born in Vienna, Austria and her family moved to Czechoslovakia; and

WHEREAS, In 1942 Edith Stern was sent to Auschwitz with her mother who was killed in the gas chamber; and

WHEREAS, Edith Stern was later sent to other locations, including the Grossschoenau labor camp, where she was eventually liberated by soldiers of the Soviet Red Army; and

WHEREAS, Edith Stern returned to her beloved Czechoslovokia and went to Prague where she survived and escaped the Communist occupation of Czechoslovakia; and

WHEREAS, In 1964 Edith Stern came to the United States and a year later began working as an administrator of the Self Help Home on the South Side of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Edith Stern is truly an example of what journalist Tom Brokaw called "Our Greatest Generation;" and

WHEREAS, Edith Stern was honored at a special celebration held on the eve of Veteran's Day at Wintrust's Grand Banking Hall, 231 South La Salle Street, Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Edith Stern is exceedingly worthy of our highest admiration and esteem; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this eighteenth day of November, 2015 do hereby express our sincere respect to Edith Stern as a Holocaust survivor; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Edith Stern.

Ålderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward