



# City of Chicago



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## ***RESOLUTION***

**WHEREAS**, Robert McClory has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 82; and

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

**WHEREAS**, A widely admired author, journalist and educator, Robert McClory was the loving husband of Margaret, nee McComish; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert McClory was the much-adored father of Jennifer and the grandfather of one to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS**, A native of the Southwest Side, Robert McClory was ordained a Roman Catholic priest in 1958 and served at Saints Faith, Hope & Charity Parish in Winnetka from 1958 to 1964 and as Associate pastor at St. Sabina Parish on the South Side of Chicago from 1964 to 1971; and

**WHEREAS**, While serving at St. Sabina, Robert McClory met his future wife who was a nun and the school's principal; and

**WHEREAS**, Released from their vows, the couple married 1971 and Robert McClory earned a master's degree from the Medill School of Journalism; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert McClory worked as a reporter and editor for the *Chicago Daily Defender* from 1971 to 1979 and in 1978 launched a 22-year tenure as a contributor to the *National Catholic Reporter*; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1983 Robert McClory became an Adjunct Professor at the Medill School of Journalism where he was later named an Associate Professor; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert McClory also worked as a staff writer for the *Chicago Reader* from 1979 until the late 1990s; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert McClory was the author of *The Man Who Beat Clout City* and *Radical Disciple: Father Pfleger, St. Sabina Church and the Fight for Social Justice*; and

**WHEREAS,** Robert McClory co-founded Call to Action, a national organization dedicated to social justice and inclusion; and

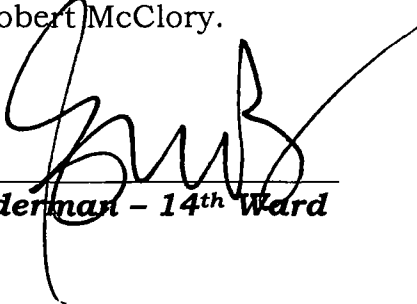
**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Robert McClory serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** Robert McClory 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, Robert McClory 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 fifteenth day of April, 2015, do hereby commemorate Robert McClory 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 Robert McClory.



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**Alderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**