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Tribute to Late Michael C. Roberts

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Michael C. Roberts has gone to his eternal reward at the age of twenty-three; and

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

WHEREAS, Michael C. Roberts lost his life while bravely serving his country as a member of the United States Army in the global war against terrorism; and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Roberts was the beloved son of David and Kathy and the dear brother of Patrick and Brian; and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Roberts was the loving and devoted fiancé of Rachel Pledger; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Texas, Michael C. Roberts enlisted in the United States Army in 2007; and

WHEREAS, An Army Specialist, Michael C. Roberts was deployed to Iraq in 2009 as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Roberts reenlisted in the Army in 2010 and joined the 561st Military Police Company based at Fort Campbell, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Roberts was deployed to Afghanistan in July 2011; and

WHEREAS, On August 27, 2011, Michael C. Roberts was protecting a secure area outside a police station in Kandahar when a vehicle attempted to breach the area; and

WHEREAS, While the vehicle exploded suddenly, killing Michael C. Roberts and more than twenty others, his swift and selfless actions prevented the loss of a large number of soldiers; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of his heroism, Michael C. Roberts was awarded the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, the NATO Medal and the Combat Action Badge; and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Roberts will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends, and fellow soldiers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Michael C. Roberts 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 fifth day of October, 2011, do hereby commemorate Michael C. Roberts 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 Michael C. Roberts.

Alderman – 14th Ward