



# City of Chicago



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<b>Title:</b>	Tribute to late Kenneth Albert Smikle
<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth Albert Smikle has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 66; and

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

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth Albert Smikle was widely admired publisher and entrepreneur and the loving husband of retired NBC investigative reporter Renee Ferguson; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth Albert Smikle was the much-adored father of Jason to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth Albert Smikle was a respected journalist and the founder of Target Market News which he headed for thirty years; and

**WHEREAS**, As the editor and publisher of Target Market News, Kenneth Albert Smikle was considered a leading authority on marketing, advertising and media directed to the African-American market; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth Albert Smikle appeared on CNN, ABC's *World News Tonight*, PBS, NPR and other programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth Albert Smikle was frequently quoted by the *New York Times*, *Newsweek*, *Time* and *The Wall Street Journal*; and

**WHEREAS**, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Kenneth Albert Smikle serve as an example to all; and

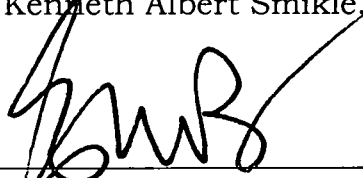
**WHEREAS**, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Kenneth Albert Smikle to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

**WHEREAS**, A resident of the Kenwood neighborhood, Kenneth Albert Smikle 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, Kenneth Albert Smikle 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 twentieth day of September, 2018, do hereby commemorate Kenneth Albert Smikle 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 Kenneth Albert Smikle.



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**Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**