

## City of Chicago



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Tribute to late Gary LaPaille

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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Gary LaPaille has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 68; and

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

WHEREAS, Gary is survived by his mother, Dolores LaPaille, his wife, Christine (Freveletti), three children, Joseph, Samuel, and Grace, and his daughters-in-law Allison and Irina; and

WHEREAS, He launched a career in politics and government in Chicago, Springfield and Washington while in high school, working weekends in the 13th Ward Democratic organization office on the City's Southwest Side, where he was raised; and

WHEREAS, In 1972, Gary graduated from St. Laurence High School, Chicago and graduated from Loyola University, Chicago with a degree in business; and

WHEREAS, He married Christine in 1988 while both served as Chiefs of Staff respectively to then-House Speaker Michael Madigan, a Democrat who ran the 13<sup>th</sup> Ward organization, and then-Minority Leader Lee Daniels, a Republican; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary was Chairman of the Illinois Democratic Party from 1990 – 1998; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1990, Crain's Chicago Business named him as one of their 40 Under 40 individuals who were prominent in business and/or government; and

WHEREAS, He was elected as a Democratic Member of the Illinois State Senate from January 1993 through January 1995, and became the minority spokesman on the Local Government & Elections Committee, and his other committee assignments included The Committee on Agriculture & Conservation and the Committee on Financial Institutions; and

WHEREAS, After leaving the State Senate, Gary started a career as a lobbyist, founding his firm, Capitol Management Group, in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Gary and his family moved to Washington in 1999 when his firm was acquired by MWH Global ("MWH"), where he was Senior Vice President for Government Affairs until 2016; and

WHEREAS, After leaving MWH, Gary became a Senior Adviser at Dentons law firm; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Gary imparts a legacy of generosity, compassion, devotion to family and unwavering faith in God; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this fourteenth day of December, 2022, do hereby commemorate Gary 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 Gary LaPaille.

Edward M. Burke

Alderman, 14th Ward