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Title:	Tribute to late Theodore (Ted) George Spyropoulos
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Presented by ALDERMAN WALTER BURNETT on November 14, 2014

WHEREAS, Theodore (Ted) George Spyropoulos, a champion of Hellenic Causes, a leader of the Greek American community and a humanitarian, passed away peacefully on September 25, 2014 at his home. Ted was a loving husband of Erika for 54 years and cherished father of Mariyana (Paul) Vasilakos; and

WHEREAS, Theodore G. Spyropoulos was born in Kalavryta, Greece; and

WHEREAS, He studied Political Science in Stockholm, Sweden, where he met his wife, Erika Knickman Spyropoulos. In 1962, he served in the Hellenic Navy; and

WHEREAS, In 1964, he immigrated to Chicago, Illinois. He was the President of T.G.S. National Wholesalers, an automotive wholesaler that operates in the U.S., Europe, and the Middle East, A & T Oil Company, T.G.S. Petroleum Co., Inc., and Can2 International Manufacturing and Marketing; and

WHEREAS, He had served as a volunteer and held leadership roles in a number of Greek American organizations. He was the U.S. Regional Coordinator of the World Council of Hellenes Abroad (S.A.E.). He was also the President of "Plant Your Roots in Greece, Inc.," whose main purpose is raising awareness of the environment and the reforestation of Greece; and

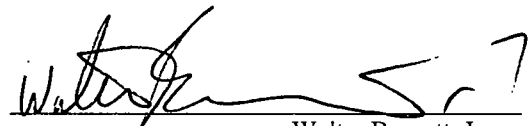
WHEREAS, He was the first elected president of the "Hellenic American National Council USA" (HANC), where he advocated Hellenic issues in Washington and prioritized Hellenic "Paitheia."

Theodore Spyropoulos's contribution and generosity to the Hellenic American society has been remarkable and his spirit of volunteerism matches his intense dedication to "Paitheia" and to society at large; and

WHEREAS, As an enthusiast of Hellenic "Paitheia," he had supported many university programs, parochial and charter schools, scholarships for exchange programs, as well as the Greek-American Teacher's Association. He had organized conventions in promoting Hellenic ideals and education regionally, nationally, and internationally; now, therefore

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this fifth day of November, 2014 A.D., do hereby commemorate Mr. Theodore (Ted) George Spyropoulos for his many lifetime contributions and do hereby extend to his family and many friends our sincere condolences.

Be It Further Resolved, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Theodore (Ted) George Spyropoulos.


Walter Burnett, Jr.
Alderman, 27th Ward

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