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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, God in His infinite wisdom has called Matthew Smith to his eternal reward; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of his passing by the Honorable Marty Quinn, Alderman of the 13th Ward; and

WHEREAS, Age 35, of Buffalo Grove, Illinois, passed away on Sunday, April 24, 2016. He was born November 12, 1980 in Chicago, Illinois, the son of Charles and Diane Smith. He graduated from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale in 2004, where he studied Communications and Business Administration. Matthew Smith Matthew was a Financial Broker with Edward Jones where he was helping families develop personalized financial strategies to achieve their financial goals. He genuinely loved helping people.


WHEREAS, Matthew is survived by his life partner, Erin Gallagher, and his two dogs Viggo and Vada whom Erin and Matthew treated as their own children. He is also survived by his parents, Charles and Diane; his brothers Craig and Michael and his sisters Kimberly and Roxanne and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends. Matthew was preceded in death by his older brother Nicholas R. Smith who passed in 2004.

WHEREAS, Matthew greatly enjoyed spending time with his beloved dogs. He loved fishing and being outdoors, concert-going and listening to music at dangerously loud levels. Enjoying those activities along with always cheering on the White Sox and Blackhawks were some of the things he was deeply passionate about. He was so very full of life which ensured us all that he never lived a dull moment. He touched and unbelievable amount of lives and made friends everywhere he went. Matthew would give the shirt off his back to help someone out, he was selfless and forgiving while at the same time driven to be the best person he could be. He did everything with great passion. Matthew was taken too soon and will be sorely missed by all.

WHEREAS, Matthew Smith leaves a legacy of faith, dignity, compassion and love; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the Chicago City Council gathered here this eighteenth day of May, 2016, hereby express our sorrow on the death of Matthew Smith and extend to his family and friends our deepest sympathy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy be presented to the family of Matthew Smith.



Marty Quinn
Alderman, 13th Ward

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