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Tribute to late Stephen Fosberg Reardon

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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR STEPHEN FOSBERG REARDON

WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that the members of this chamber learned of the death of local legend, Stephen Fosberg Reardon, on May 17, 2019 at the age of seventy-two; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of his passing by the Honorable Samantha Nugent, Alderman of the 39th Ward; and

WHEREAS, Stephen Fosberg Reardon began his life in Geneva, Illinois, the child of Lamar and Olive Reardon. A graduate of Glenbard West High School, Steve went on to attend the University of Wisconsin at La Crosse before working in the communications field and as a teacher. Steve possessed a lifelong passion for civic affairs and began his involvement with the Independent Voters of Illinois – Independent Precinct Organization in 1969; and

WHEREAS, Stephen Fosberg Reardon was a long-time resident of Chicago's Forest Glen neighborhood, president and board member of the Forest Glen Community Club, chair of the annual Forest Glen Fourth of July Parade, and a master gardener who tended his own, and the community's, gardens; and

WHEREAS, Stephen Fosberg Reardon was the devoted husband of Maureen Massart, the longtime friend and in-law of Eileen and John Massart, Edward Massart and Roberta Scott, the late Edrie Massart, Anne and Barry Clark, and Ellin and Cecil Smith, devoted godfather of Patricia Clark Engel, prized uncle to twelve nieces and nephews and great uncle to thirty; and

WHEREAS, Stephen Fosberg Reardon served in the Vietnam War, for which we duly honor his bravery and sacrifice in service of our nation; and

WHEREAS, Stephen Fosberg Reardon will be warmly remembered for his endless energy, passion, and capacity for serving the community, by countless friends throughout Chicago's Forest Glen neighborhood, the City, and the World; and

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this twenty-fourth day of July, 2019, do hereby extend our most heartfelt condolences to the family of Stephen Fosberg Reardon; and

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Stephen Fosberg Reardon as a sign of our honor and respect.

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Samartha Nugent

Alderman, 39th Ward

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