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Tribute to late Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma

Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 80; and

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

WHEREAS, The Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma was the loving and devoted husband of Pushpa; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma was the much-adored father of Shubra and Rashmi to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma was the 27th Chief Justice of India, from March 25, 1997, until he retired January 18, 1998; and

WHEREAS, After his retirement from the bench, the Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma remained the chairman of National Human Rights Commission from 1999 to 2003; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma also played a major role in monitoring India's media as the first chairperson of the News Broadcasting Standards Authority; and

WHEREAS, Considered the "conscience" of India's judiciary, the Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma issued several landmark judgments on the equality of women and holding judges accountable for personal misconduct; and

WHEREAS, Because of his reputation for integrity, the Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma was appointed Chairperson of a three member commission to frame a strict law to combat crimes against women in India; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared the Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma 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, To his beloved family, the Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma 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 eighth day of May, 2013, do hereby commemorate the Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma 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 the Honorable Jagdish Sharan Verma.

Alderman - 14th Ward