



# City of Chicago



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Resolution

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Tribute to late Honorable John Vasconcellos

**Committee(s) Assignment:**

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable John Vasconcellos has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 82; and

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

**WHEREAS,** A resident of Santa Clara, the Honorable John Vasconcellos was a visionary California politician who served for 38 years in the state legislature; and

**WHEREAS,** A Democrat, the Honorable John Vasconcellos began his career as a lawyer and aide to Governor Pat Brown; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable John Vasconcellos spent 30 years in the California Assembly and eight in the state Senate; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable John Vasconcellos represented Silicon Valley and was a former longtime Chair of the Assembly's Ways and Means Committee; and

**WHEREAS,** A masterful legislator who was blunt and witty, the Honorable John Vasconcellos earned a reputation for his humanitarian focus; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable John Vasconcellos worked for several years to get the needed votes to pass legislation like the state's needle exchange program; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable John Vasconcellos was considered a brilliant intellectual who "marched to his own drummer"; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Honorable John Vasconcellos serve as an example to all; and

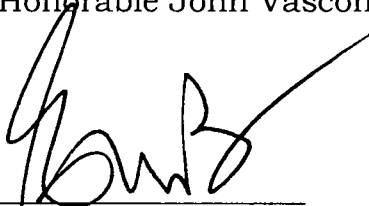
**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared the Honorable John Vasconcellos to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable John Vasconcellos was an individual of great integrity and accomplishment who will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To his beloved family, the Honorable John Vasconcellos 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 twenty-fifth day of June, 2014, do hereby commemorate the Honorable John Vasconcellos 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 John Vasconcellos.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. B. B.', written over a horizontal line.

**Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**