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Tribute to Late Sonya Peres

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Sonya Peres has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-eight; and

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

WHEREAS, A woman of dignity, grace and charm, Sonya Peres was the wife of the President of the State of Israel; and

WHEREAS, Sonya Peres was the much-adored mother of a daughter and two sons; and

WHEREAS, Born Sonya Gelman in the Ukraine, she emigrated to Israel as a child and in early adulthood served as a nurse in a British Army hospital in Cairo; and

WHEREAS, In 1945 Sonya Peres married the Honorable Shimon Peres, who was elected to serve as President of Israel in 2007; and

WHEREAS, A longtime resident of Tel Aviv, Sonya Peres shunned the limelight and preserved her privacy; and

WHEREAS, Sonya Peres worked tirelessly on behalf of the poor and less fortunate; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Sonya Peres serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, Sonya Peres will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To her beloved family, Sonya Peres 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 ninth day of February, 2011, do hereby commemorate Sonya Peres for her grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to her family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Sonya Peres.

Alderman - 14th Ward