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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable Alan J. Dixon has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 86; and

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

WHEREAS, The Honorable Alan J. Dixon was a former United States Senator from Illinois and loving husband of Jody; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Alan J. Dixon was the much-adored father of three children to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Known for his hard work and honesty, the Honorable Alan J. Dixon enjoyed a long and highly successful career in national and state politics that spanned more than 40 years; and

WHEREAS, A native of Belleville, the Honorable Alan J. Dixon served his country in the United States Navy Air Corps during World War II; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Alan J. Dixon graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and earned his law degree from Washington University in St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Alan J. Dixon rose to become a household name in Illinois politics; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Alan J. Dixon was a member of the Illinois House of Representatives from 1951 to 1963; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Alan J. Dixon went on to serve as Illinois State Treasurer from 1971 to 1977 and as Illinois Secretary of State from 1977 to 1981; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Alan J. Dixon served in the United States Senate from 1981 to 1993 where he was the third-ranking Democrat; and

WHEREAS, A true consensus builder, the Honorable Alan J. Dixon hosted monthly lunches for Illinois' 22 Congress members to champion bipartisan support for a range of issues; and

WHEREAS, After leaving the Senate, the Honorable Alan J. Dixon practiced law in St. Louis and lived in Fairview Heights, Illinois; and

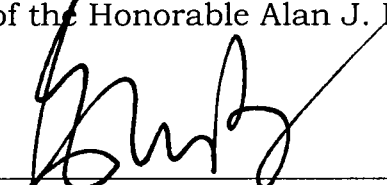
WHEREAS, Above all else, the Honorable Alan J. Dixon was a caring and generous man to his family; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Alan J. Dixon will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, the Honorable Alan J. Dixon 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 thirtieth day of July, 2014, do hereby commemorate the Honorable Alan J. Dixon 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 Alan J. Dixon.



Alderman - 14th Ward