

## City of Chicago



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Tribute to late Ralph G. Scheu

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** Ralph G. Scheu has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 85; and

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

**WHEREAS,** A longtime resident of the Gold Coast, Ralph G. Scheu was a widely respected member of the legal community and an outstanding Chicago civic leader; and

**WHEREAS,** Ralph G. Scheu ably served as the President of the 100 Club of Chicago from 1975 to 2010; and

**WHEREAS,** By serving in this leadership role, Ralph G. Scheu followed in the footsteps of his father, businessman Ralph J. Scheu, who founded the civilian organization in 1966; and

**WHEREAS,** For 47 years, the 100 Club of Chicago has offered emotional, financial and educational support to the families of fallen police officers, firefighters and paramedic personnel; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout his esteemed tenure, Ralph G. Scheu played an instrumental role in the success of the Chicago chapter which has provided \$4.4 million in financial assistance during its history to 251 families of first responders; and

**WHEREAS,** As President of the 100 Club of Chicago, Ralph G. Scheu regularly made visits to the homes of families of fallen law enforcement officers and helped to comfort and support them in ways that they will never forget; and

**WHEREAS,** Each holiday season Ralph G. Scheu would meet with the spouses of those who lost their lives in the line of duty by going table to table at the Gold Shield Families Dinner; and

**WHEREAS,** A native of South Florida, Ralph G. Scheu graduated from Northwestern University Law School and raised his family in Northbrook; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Ralph G. Scheu serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** Ralph G. Scheu 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 three sons, Stephen, R.J. and Barkley, his beloved companion, Sue Smart, his five grandchildren and his great-grandchild, Ralph G. Scheu 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-eighth day of May, 2014, do hereby commemorate Ralph G. Scheu 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 Ralph G. Scheu.

Alderman - 14th Ward