

## City of Chicago



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Commemoration of Memorial Day

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Saturday, May 28, 2016, officially marks the Memorial Day observance; and

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago honors the men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice in times of war and peace with a wreath-laying ceremony at 11:00 am at the Eternal Flame in Daley Plaza; and

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago Memorial Day Parade has long been recognized as one of the largest and most impressive observances of its kind in the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this day of remembrance by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant General Kenneth R. Dahl Commanding General, IMCOM, and a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy and highly decorated member of the Armed Forces will serve as the Parade Grand Marshal; and

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant General Kenneth R. Dahl will join with Mayor Rahm Emanuel alongside honored veterans and Gold Star families in the solemn observance and Wreath Laying Ceremony following the parade; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Eli Williamson, an honored veteran and the Co-founder of Leave No Veteran Behind who has served our returning veterans with great distinction as they readjust to civilian life, is this year's recipient of the Major General John A. Logan Patriot Award; and

*WHEREAS*, The City of Chicago will present Junior ROTC Cadet George Pina, Cadet Battalion S-3 Sergeant Major, responsible for the training and operations of over 320 Chicago Public Schools JROTC cadets of the Chicago Military Academy with the Cadet of the Year Award; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Chicago gives special recognition to the fallen heroes and their Gold Star Family survivors at the Wreath Laying Ceremony, now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council assembled this eighteenth day of May, 2016 pay tribute and express our profound gratitude to the fallen heroes of foreign wars and the men and women protecting the lives of our citizens at home in this Memorial Day commemoration.

Alderman Edward M. Burke Alderman, 14<sup>th</sup> Ward