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Tribute to late Clifton Garrick Utley

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Clifton Garrick Utley has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of seventy-four; and

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

WHEREAS, A native of Chicago, Clifton Garrick Utley was a widely admired member of the journalism community and the loving husband for forty years of Gertje; and

WHEREAS, The son of pioneering broadcasters, Clifton Garrick Utley accompanied his parents to studios at an early age and began working as a copy boy for the *Chicago-Sun-Times*; and

WHEREAS, In 1963 Clifton Garrick Utley joined *NBC* as John Chancellor's assistant in the Brussels bureau; and

WHEREAS, For most of the next twenty-five years, Clifton Garrick Utley was a foreign correspondent reporting from more than seventy countries across the globe for *NBC News*; and

WHEREAS, Clifton Garrick Utley was among the first journalists to provide television coverage of the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Clifton Garrick Utley chronicled the 1968 pro-democracy demonstration in Prague, the 1973 Arab-Israeli War and revolts against apartheid in South Africa; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his role as a foreign correspondent, Clifton Garrick Utley was a weekend anchor of the "Nightly News" and a moderator of "Meet the Press"; and

WHEREAS, In 1993 Clifton Garrick Utley joined *ABC News* where he was the network's chief foreign correspondent based in London; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Clifton Garrick Utley serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, Clifton Garrick Utley will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Clifton Garrick Utley 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 fifth day of March, 2014, do hereby commemorate Clifton Garrick Utley 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 **Q**lifton Garrick Lettley.

Alderman - 14th Ward