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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, William J. Quinn has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 104; and

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

WHEREAS, A longtime resident of the North Shore, William J. Quinn was a widely admired leader in the railroad industry and the loving husband for 65 years of the late Floy; and

WHEREAS, William J. Quinn was the much-adored father of William, George, Patrick, Richard, Floy, Maureen, Michaele and Shannon, the grandfather of thirteen and the great-grandfather of sixteen; and

WHEREAS, A native of St. Paul, Minnesota, William J. Quinn graduated from law school and worked early in his career in private practice and as an Assistant United States Attorney; and

WHEREAS, In 1940 William J. Quinn joined the Soo Line and served his country during World War II as a counterespionage agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and

WHEREAS, William J. Quinn later moved to Chicago to work for the Milwaukee Road where in 1958 he became the youngest president in the railroad company's history; and

WHEREAS, Following a long and highly successful career during which he also served as the President of Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, William J. Quinn retired in 1978 as Chairman of the Milwaukee Road; and

WHEREAS, In his retirement, William J. Quinn served from 1979 to 1992 as a member of the board of Loyola University in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of William J. Quinn serve as an example to all; and

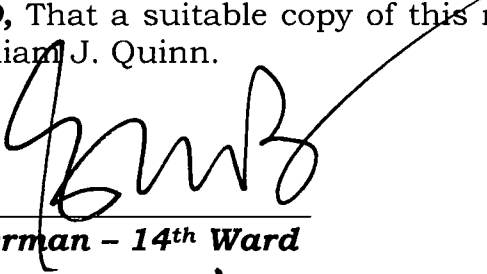
WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared William J. Quinn to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

WHEREAS, William J. Quinn 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 beloved family, William J. Quinn 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 December, 2015 do hereby commemorate William J. Quinn 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 William J. Quinn.



Alderman - 14th Ward