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Tribute to Late Thomas Heitmann

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Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Thomas Heitmann has gone to his eternal reward at the age of twenty-seven; and

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

WHEREAS, A native of Mendota, Illinois, Thomas Heitmann served his country as a 1st Lieutenant with the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Heitmann lost his life in a helicopter (rash on September 19, 2011, along with Captain Jeffrey Bland, also a Marine pilot; and

WHEREAS, The fatal accident occurred while Thomas Heitmann and Jeffrey Bland were performing a training exercise on base at California's Camp Pendleton; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Heitmann was the recipient of numerous medals and commendations, including the National Defense Service Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Heitmann was a hero not only in the way he served his country, but also in the way he lived his life; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Heitmann was the beloved son of Tom and Mary Therese and the dear brother of Aaron, Rachel, Sarah, Hannah and Mary; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Heitmann inspired the lives of countless people through his great personal goodness, charity and concern; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, dedication and sacrifice of Thomas Heitmann serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Thomas Heitmann 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, Thomas Heitmann will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends, and fellow soldiers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Thomas Heitmann 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 October, 2011, do hereby commemorate Thomas Heitmann 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 Thomas Heitmann.

Alderman – 14th Ward