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Resolution

Tribute to late Glen Campbell

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## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** Glen Campbell has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 81; and

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

**WHEREAS,** Glen Campbell was an iconic singer, songwriter and guitarist whose popular music fluidly crossed genres, from country to pop, making him a true American superstar; and

**WHEREAS,** Glen Campbell had 12 gold albums and a remarkable collection of hit songs including "Rhinestone Cowboy," "Wichita Lineman," "By the Time I Get to Phoenix," "Galveston," "Gentle on My Mind" and "Southern Nights;" and

**WHEREAS,** Born in the tiny community of Billstown, Arkansas, Glen Campbell was one of 12 children of a rural Southern sharecropper; and

**WHEREAS,** As a teenager Glen Campbell moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico to join his uncle's band and later moved to Los Angeles where he formed his own group and opened for *The Doors*; and

**WHEREAS,** During the 1960s, Glen Campbell was member of a group of studio musicians called "The Wrecking Crew," who anonymously backed up hit-makers during production; and

**WHEREAS,** A country crossover star, along with other renowned musicians such as Johnny Cash, Kenny Rogers and Roy Clark, Glen Campbell's widespread appeal made him a household name; and

**WHEREAS,** Venturing onto the big screen, Glen Campbell played opposite Oscar winner John Wayne in the 1969 film *True Grit* and was nominated for an Oscar for the title song; and

**WWHEREAS,** Glen Campbell also found success in television as the host of the popular "Glen Campbell Goodtime Hour" on *CBS* from 1969 to 1972; and

**HEREAS,** Throughout his highly successful and colorful life, Glen Campbell enjoyed a jocular sense of wit which entertained audiences; and

**WHEREAS,** The 2014 documentary "Glen Campbell I'll Be Me" chronicled his farewell tour and his battle with Alzheimer's; and

*WHEREAS,* The talent, hard work and dedication of Glen Campbell serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Glen Campbell 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,** To his wife, Kim, and his eight children, Glen Campbell 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 sixth day of September, 2017, do hereby commemorate Glen Campbell 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 Glen Campbell.

Alderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward