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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Rev. James A. Colleran has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 80; and

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

WHEREAS, Rev. James A. Colleran was a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago for 55 years; and

WHEREAS, Rev. James A. Colleran was the loving brother of Sheila, Bern, Paul, and Philip and the uncle of many nieces and nephews to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Rev. James A. Colleran served numerous parishes in Chicago, including St. Bonaventure, St. Vitus, Our Lady of Lourdes, and St. Mary of the Lake where he was Pastor Emeritus; and

WHEREAS, Rev. James A. Colleran was a firm believer in the "worker-priest" tradition and would connect to his congregation by working the same jobs they did; and

WHEREAS, Rev. James A. Colleran was beloved by his parishioners at St. Vitus Parish in the Pilsen neighborhood where he organized pickets and boycotts of the CTA, the postal service, and hospitals and businesses in order to help parishioners secure jobs, justice and better services; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Rev. James A. Colleran serve as an example to all; and

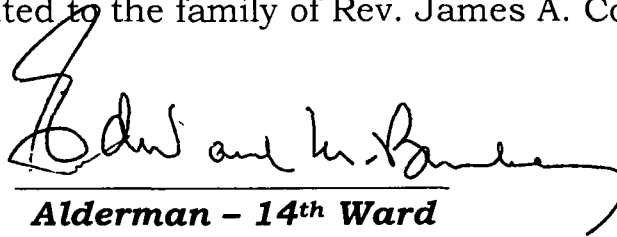
WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Rev. James A. Colleran to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

WHEREAS, Rev. James A. Colleran 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, Rev. James A. Colleran 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 twenty-fifth day of July, 2018, do hereby commemorate Rev. James A. Colleran 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 Rev. James A. Colleran.


Alderman - 14th Ward