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SALUTE TO NASA ASTRONAUT JAMES ARTHUR LOVELL

WHEREAS, James Arthur Lovell is a former NASA astronaut and retired Captain in the United States Navy. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio on March 25, 1928 and grew up interested in rocketry building flying models as a child; and

WHEREAS, James Lovell attended the University of Wisconsin-Madison for two years before attending the United States Naval Academy. After graduating in 1952, he entered the United States Navy. He went on to become a Captain; and

WHEREAS, James Lovell is most famous as the heroic commander of the Apollo 13 mission which suffered a critical failure on the way to the Moon. Along with his crew and mission control, he was able to safely bring the rocket back to Earth; and

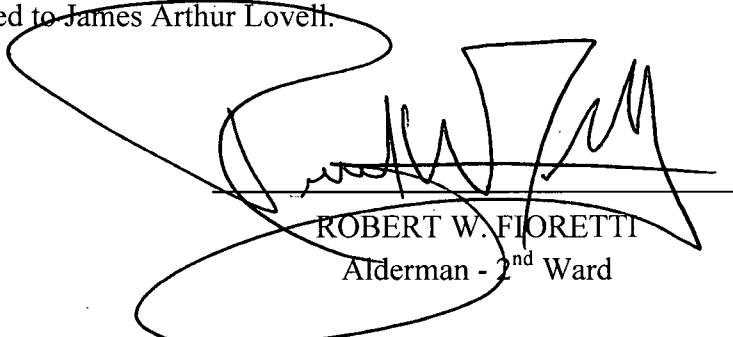
WHEREAS, James Lovell served as the command module pilot of Apollo 8, the first Apollo mission that entered lunar orbit. He is one of only 24 people to have flown to the Moon, the first of three people to fly to the Moon twice, and the only person to have flown to the Moon twice without making a landing; and

WHEREAS, James Lovell was also the first person to fly in space four times and a recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom as well as the Congressional Space Medal of Honor; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert W. Fioretti, Alderman of the 2nd Ward, has introduced legislation that dedicates a portion of Solidarity Drive that borders the Adler Planetarium on the Museum Campus as "James A. Lovell, Jr. Way"; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council gathered together on this 25th day of July 2012 AD, do hereby salute James Arthur Lovell on his courageous feats and exploration with NASA and declare August 23, 2012 to be "James Arthur Lovell, Jr. Day" in Chicago.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to James Arthur Lovell.



ROBERT W. FIORETTI
Alderman - 2nd Ward