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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable Charles Percy has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of ninety-one; and

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

WHEREAS, A widely admired figure in the history of Illinois politics, the Honorable Charles Percy was the loving and devoted husband of Loraine and the late Jeanne; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Charles Percy was the much-adored father of Sharon, Roger, Gail, Mark and the late Valerie; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Charles Percy served with honor and distinction as a United States Senator from 1966 through 1984; and

WHEREAS, During his esteemed tenure as a member of the Senate, the Honorable Charles Percy was instrumental in expanding homeownership options for low-income Americans, and led the charge for improved energy efficiency throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, Considered by his colleagues to be a moderate Republican, the Honorable Charles Percy often transcended party lines on the issues which most deeply affected Americans; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his election to the Senate, the Honorable Charles Percy graduated from the University of Chicago and joined the Bell and Howell Corporation; and

WHEREAS, During World War II, the Honorable Charles Percy served his country as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, After the war, the Honorable Charles Percy returned to Bell & Howell Corporation and rose to become its President in 1949; and

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WHEREAS, During his more than two decades of leadership at the company, the Honorable Charles Percy presided over a period of expansion; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Charles Percy inspired the lives of countless people through his great personal goodness, charity and concern; and

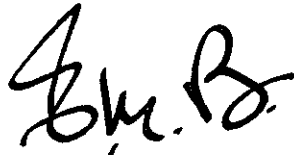
WHEREAS, The hard work, dedication and sacrifice of the Honorable Charles Percy serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Charles Percy will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives and friends; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, the Honorable Charles Percy 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 the Honorable Charles Percy 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 the Honorable Charles Percy.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. M. B.", is written above a horizontal line.

Alderman - 14th Ward