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Tribute to late Honorable George M. Leader

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable George M. Leader has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 95; and

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

WHEREAS, The Honorable George M. Leader was the loving and devoted husband of the late Mary Jane; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George M. Leader was the beloved father of George, David, Jane and the late Fred, the doting grandfather of twelve and the adoring great-grandfather of two to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, A proud veteran of World War II, the Honorable George M. Leader served in the United States Navy as a Supply Corps Officer; and

WHEREAS, After serving one term as a Pennsylvania State Senator, the Honorable George M. Leader won a landslide victory in 1955 to become the second youngest Governor of that state; and

WHEREAS, During his four years as Governor, the Honorable George M. Leader enacted important reforms, improved social services and led the way for advances in diversity through his cabinet appointments; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George M. Leader and his wife started two successful healthcare businesses offering quality assisted-living to the elderly; and

WHEREAS, An active member of his faith community, the Honorable George M. Leader touched the lives of many with his compassion, charity and Christian witness; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Honorable George M. Leader serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared the Honorable George M. Leader 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 beloved family, the Honorable George M. Leader 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 June, 2013, do hereby commemorate the Honorable George M. Leader 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 George M. Leader.

Alderman – 14th Ward