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Tribute to Jonathan Gunn Bunge

WHEREAS, Jonathan Gunn Bunge passed away at age 81, on April 10th, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The City Council has been informed of his passing by Alderman Scott Waguespack; and

WHEREAS, Jon was the proprietor of Will's Northwoods Inn, located at 3030 N. Racine Avenue, which has been a cornerstone business, steward of the community, beacon of fellowship, and gathering place for neighbors since April 1st, 1991; and

WHEREAS, Jon gave Will's Northwoods Inn to the community as a safe and friendly place for all neighbors to have their packages delivered and stored, and where neighbors could find help with things such as dead car batteries, lockouts, shoveling sidewalks, minor repairs and heavy lifting; and

WHEREAS, Will's was the designated gathering place for countless neighborhood meetings, forums, celebrations, family get-togethers, group discussions, memorials; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bunge was a long-time member and proud supporter of the South Lakeview Neighbors group, and happily hosted their monthly meetings for many years; and

WHEREAS, He insisted on hosting and funding both the annual Summer membership party, and official South Lakeview Neighbors Christmas party; and

WHEREAS, Jon was the owner of more than 30 properties and 130 apartments in the heart of the South Lakeview; and

WHEREAS, Jonathan Bunge graduated with honors from Princeton University before earning his law degree from Harvard University, where he also graduated with honors; and

WHEREAS, He generously and continuously donated his expertise and skills as a Harvard Lawyer to assist neighbors with legal documentation and advice; and


WHEREAS, Mr. Bunge was a generous leader of the community who was well-known, well-respected, and well-loved by all the people who knew him; and

WHEREAS, Jon was a devoted and beloved husband to his wife Trudy Bunge for over 57 years before his passing; and

WHEREAS, He was a dedicated and loving father to his sons Jonathan and William, and to his daughter Katherine.

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the Chicago City Council gathered here on this 27th day of June 2018, do hereby honor the memory of Jonathan Gunn Bunge; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family members of Jonathan Gunn Bunge as our token of our honor, gratitude, and respect.



Scott Waguespack, 32nd Ward Alderman