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Resolution

Tribute to late Milo Hamilton

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** Milo Hamilton has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 88; and

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

**WHEREAS,** Milo Hamilton was a legendary Hall of Fame sportscaster and the loving husband for more than fifty years of the late Arlene; and

**WHEREAS,** Milo Hamilton was the much-adored father of Mark and the late Patricia to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS,** Milo Hamilton served for 27 years as the play-by-play radio announcer for the Houston Astros; and

**WHEREAS,** Known for his classic radio voice and the popular catch phrase, "Holy Toledo," Milo Hamilton broadcast major league baseball games for seven teams over six decades, including 11 no-hitters; and

**WHEREAS,** In addition to the Houston Astros, Milo Hamilton was a broadcaster for the St. Louis Browns, St. Louis Cardinals, Chicago Cubs, Chicago White Sox, the Braves and Pittsburgh Pirates; and

**WHEREAS,** Milo Hamilton famously broadcast Hank Aaron's recordbreaking 715<sup>th</sup> home run in 1974, and as the slugger crossed the plate, used his highly memorable voice to declare him "the home-run king of all-time"; and

**WHEREAS,** Other unforgettable highlights of Milo Hamilton's career included calling Nolan Ryan's 4,000<sup>th</sup> strikeout as well as Craig Biggio's 3,000<sup>th</sup> hit in 2007; and

**WHEREAS,** Milo Hamilton retired from the broadcast booth following the 2012 season, but had continued to serve as guest radio commentator for select Houston home games; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, talent and dedication of Milo Hamilton serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Milo Hamilton 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,** Milo Hamilton 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, Milo Hamilton 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-fourth day of September 2015, do hereby commemorate Milo Hamilton 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 Milo Hamilton.

14th Ward