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| <b>Meeting Date:</b>            | 3/13/2013                            |
| <b>Sponsor(s):</b>              | Burke, Edward M. (14)                |
| <b>Type:</b>                    | Resolution                           |
| <b>Title:</b>                   | Tribute to late John J. Wilpers, Jr. |
| <b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b> |                                      |

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, John J. Wilpers, Jr., has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of ninety-three; and

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

**WHEREAS**, John J. Wilpers, Jr., was a distinguished veteran of military and government intelligence services and the loving husband of the late Marian; and

**WHEREAS**, John J. Wilpers, Jr., was the much-adored father of John III, Michael, Helen, Teresa and Mary and the much-adored grandfather of seven to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS**, John J. Wilpers, Jr., was the last-known surviving member of the team of Army intelligence officers who captured former Japanese Prime Minister Hideki Tojo nine days after Japan surrendered in World War II; and

**WHEREAS**, John J. Wilpers, Jr., worked for the Central Intelligence Agency for twenty-eight years following his military service; and

**WHEREAS**, During his tenure at the CIA, John J. Wilpers, Jr., specialized in gathering biographical information on Soviet and Chinese scientists and supervised translators for American information agencies in Europe; and

**WHEREAS**, Following a long and highly successful career, John J. Wilpers, Jr., retired in 1975; and

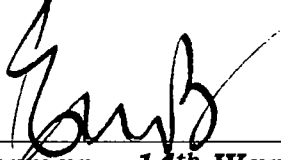
**WHEREAS**, Pentagon officials belatedly awarded John J. Wilpers, Jr., with the Bronze Star in 2010 for his part in apprehending Tojo; and

**WHEREAS**, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of John J. Wilpers, Jr., serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS**, To his beloved family, John J. Wilpers, Jr., 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 thirteenth day of March, 2013, do hereby commemorate John J. Wilpers, Jr., 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 John J. Wilpers, Jr.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Garb', is written over a horizontal line.

**Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**