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Tribute to late Rev. Thomas G. Doran

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 80; and

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

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran was the Bishop Emeritus of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rockford; and

WHEREAS, A native of Rockford, the Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran graduated from Campion Jesuit High School in Wisconsin and studied in Rome and Vatican City before being ordained a priest in 1961; and

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran served in a number of parishes, schools and administrative positions before being named Bishop of the Rockford Diocese in 1994; and

WHEREAS, As the leader of the 11-county Diocese, the Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran worked to strengthen the Catholic faith in Northern Illinois and was a champion of the poor; and

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran presided over the local Jubilee 2000 celebration of the Universal Church and the Centennial of the Diocese of Rockford as well as other milestones; and

WHEREAS, The late Pope John Paul II named the Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran as bishop member of the Congregation for the Clergy in 2001; and

WHEREAS, As required by Canon Law, the Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran resigned at the age of 75 and retired upon the appointment of a new bishop; and

WHEREAS, The holiness, sacrifice and dedication of the Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, the Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran 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 fourteenth day of September, 2016, do hereby commemorate the Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran 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 Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran.

Alderman - 14th Ward