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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Sister Irenaeus Chekouras has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of ninety; and

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

WHEREAS, A Sister of Mercy for sixty-nine years, Sister Irenaeus Chekouras served as president of Saint Xavier University from 1972 to 1982; and

WHEREAS, A believer in change, Sister Irenaeus Chekouras helped stabilize the then struggling university by adding a business curriculum and transitioning the student body from all female to coeducational; and

WHEREAS, Sister Irenaeus Chekouras earned her undergraduate degree from Saint Xavier University and held a doctorate in education from the University of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Sister Irenaeus Chekouras served as both a professor and the Director of Graduate Education at Saint Xavier University before being named the institution's president; and

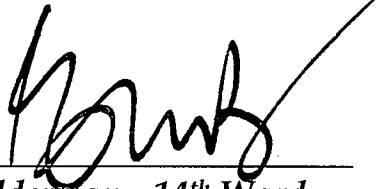
WHEREAS, Sister Irenaeus Chekouras served as a trustee on the boards of Loyola University Chicago, St. Mary's College in Minnesota, and the Chicago School of Professional Psychology; and

WHEREAS, Her colleagues described Sister Irenaeus Chekouras as a strong, direct, and decisive teacher who believed that education had the power to change lives; and

WHEREAS, To her beloved family, Sister Irenaeus Chekouras 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 sixth day of June, 2012, do hereby commemorate Sister Irenaeus Chekouras for her grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to her family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Sister Irenaeus Chekouras.

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

Alderman - 14th Ward