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Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Robert Pritzker has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-five; and

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

WHEREAS, Robert Pritzker was a widely admired business leader and philanthropist and the devoted husband of Mayari; and

WHEREAS, Robert Pritzker was the much-adored father of James, Linda, Karen, Matthew, and Liesel, the grandfather of ten and the great-grandfather of two to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities which he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, With his two brothers, Robert Pritzker created Marmon Group, one of the nation's largest and most successful private companies; and

WHEREAS, Robert Pritzker stepped down as Chief Executive Officer of the Marmon Group in 2002 following five decades of distinguished leadership; and

WHEREAS, A steadfast proponent of education, Robert Pritzker donated sixty million dollars to the Illinois Institute of Technology and was instrumental in the creation of its Pritzker Institute for Medical Engineering; and

WHEREAS, An engineer by trade, Robert Pritzker maintained a lifelong curiosity about the intricacies of manufacturing, a quality which contributed greatly to his success in business; and

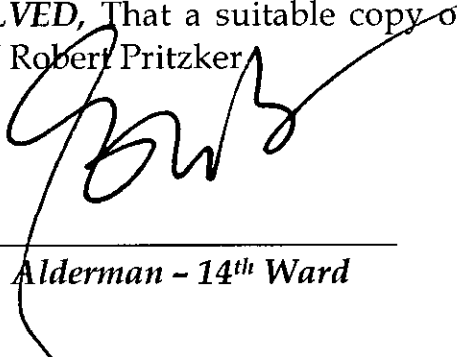
WHEREAS, As part of one of the nation's most philanthropic families, Robert Pritzker lent his name to such prestigious venues as Millennium Park's Pritzker Pavilion and the Pritzker School of Medicine at the University of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Those who knew Robert Pritzker will remember him as an unassuming, low-key man who did not flaunt his wealth and who battled Parkinson's Disease with quiet dignity and resolve; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Robert Pritzker 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 ninth day of November, 2011, do hereby commemorate Robert Pritzker 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 Robert Pritzker



Alderman - 14th Ward