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Tribute to late Eddie Blazonczyk

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Eddie Blazonczyk has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of seventy; and

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

WHEREAS, A famous polka singer and band leader, Eddie Blazonczyk was the loving and devoted husband of Christine; and

WHEREAS, Edie Blazonczyk was the much-adored father of Eddie Jr., Anthony, and Katherine and the grandfather of three to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities which he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Blazonczyk helped keep polka music relevant by maintaining a record label, a recording studio, a retail store and a music school dedicated to the genre; and

WHEREAS, A believer in heritage and ethnic identity, Eddie Blazonczyk often recorded his songs in perfectly annunciated Polish; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Blazonczyk won a Grammy Award in 1987 and was named a National Heritage Fellow by the National Endowment for the Arts in 1998; and

WHEREAS, A native of Chicago, Eddie Blazonczyk was the son of Polish immigrants and was a force for what it means to be Polish in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Eddie Blazonczyk 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 Eddie Blazonczyk 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 Eddie Blazonczyk.

Alderman - 14th Ward