

## City of Chicago



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## Office of the City Clerk

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**Meeting Date:** 7/30/2014

Sponsor(s): Burke (14)

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Title: Tribute to late Honorable Howard Baker

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Howard Baker has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 88; and

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

**WHEREAS,** A native of Huntsville, Tennessee, the Honorable Howard Baker was the loving husband of the Honorable Nancy Landon Kassebaum and the late Joy; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Howard Baker was the much-adored father of two children to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Howard Baker served as the Vice Chairman of the Watergate hearings in 1973 that led to the impeachment of President Richard M. Nixon; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Howard Baker will long be remembered for the famous question posed at the hearings: "What did the President know and when did he know it?"; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Howard Baker later served as Senate Majority leader, Chief of Staff to President Ronald Reagan and elder statesman of the Republican Party; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Howard Baker was known as the "Great Conciliator" for his ability to broker political compromises and enact legislation; and

**WHEREAS,** In 2001 President George W. Bush appointed the Honorable Howard Baker to serve as Ambassador to Japan; and

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Howard Baker served as Senior Counsel at Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz; and

**WHEREAS,** In his private life, the Honorable Howard Baker was an accomplished amateur photographer; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Honorable Howard Baker serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS**, The Honorable Howard Baker will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS**, To his beloved family, the Honorable Howard Baker 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 thirtieth day of July, 2014, do hereby commemorate the Honorable Howard Baker 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 Hongrable Howard Baker.

Alderman - 14th Ward