

## City of Chicago

## Office of the City Clerk

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2/5/2014 Burke (14) Resolution Tribute to late Jon Anderson

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** Jon Anderson has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of seventy-seven; and

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

**WHEREAS,** Jon Anderson was a widely admired veteran Chicago journalist and the loving husband of Pamela; and

**WHEREAS,** Jon Anderson was the much-adored father of Ashley, Abra, Anthony and the late Jon G., a devoted grandfather and the dear brother of Derek; and

**WHEREAS,** Born in Montreal's immigrant district, Jon Anderson was inspired to become a journalist by his uncle, Johnny Walsh, a legendary crime reporter; and

**WHEREAS,** Jon Anderson reported for the *Montreal Gazette* and graduated from McGill University Law School in 1959; and

**WHEREAS,** In 1963 Jon Anderson came to Chicago as an employee of *Time* magazine and rose to become one of our City's most influential writers and treasured storytellers; and

**WHEREAS,** During a highly distinguished career which spanned five decades, Jon Anderson worked at the *Chicago Daily News*, the *Chicago Sun-Times* and the *Chicago Tribune*; and

**WHEREAS,** From 1995 to 2006, Jon Anderson wrote the "City Watch" column for the *Tribune* in which he explored the colorful and gritty aspects of everyday life in the metropolis; and

**WHEREAS,** Known for his affable demeanor and refinement, Jon Anderson was an individual of great aptitude and talent; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Jon Anderson serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Jon Anderson to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

**WHEREAS,** Jon Anderson will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To his beloved family, Jon Anderson 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 fifth day of February, 2014, do hereby commemorate Jon Anderson 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 Jon Anderson.

Alderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward