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## City Council Document Tracking Sheet

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**Sponsor(s):** Burke, Edward (14)  
**Type:** Resolution  
**Title:** Tribute to Late Marjorie Kelly Webster  
**Committee(s) Assignment:**

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Marjorie Kelly Webster has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of ninety-five; and

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

**WHEREAS**, A longtime resident of the Village of Winnetka, Marjorie Kelly Webster was the loving wife for forty-four years of the late Roderick S.; and

**WHEREAS**, Along with her husband, Marjorie Kelly Webster amassed one of the world's most renowned collections of early scientific instruments; and

**WHEREAS**, Marjorie Kelly Webster generously donated countless astronomical and navigational instruments of historical importance as well as rare books and maps to the Adler Planetarium; and

**WHEREAS**, According to officials from the Adler Planetarium, one slide rule donated by Marjorie Kelly Webster has been linked to Galileo or his studio; and

**WHEREAS**, The Websters served as volunteer curators for the Adler Planetarium's collection of scientific instruments from 1962 through 1991 and were Life Trustees; and

**WHEREAS**, Marjorie Kelly Webster and her husband published books on antique scientific devices and their makers called *The Webster Signature Database* which focused on the fourteenth through nineteenth centuries; and

**WHEREAS**, Marjorie Kelly Webster will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives and friends; and

**WHEREAS**, To her beloved family, Marjorie Kelly Webster 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 eighth day of June, 2011, do hereby commemorate Marjorie Kelly Webster 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 Marjorie Kelly Webster.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John B.", written over a horizontal line.

*Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward*