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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Fred A. Ruben a/k/a/ "Coach Ruben has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 93; and,

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of his passing by Alderman Ariel E. Reboyras; and,

WHEREAS, Born in Chicago on July 17, 1926, Fred A. Ruben was the son of the late Joseph and Sarah, nee Satenstein; beloved husband of 67 years of Betty, nee Dermer; devoted father of Carol (Jeffrey) Clark and David (Josie Howard) Ruben; cherished grandfather of Jennifer (Chad) Kinney, Courtney (Justin) Opsahl, Emily (Tyler) Opperman, Joshua (Katherine Dorn) Clark, William (Lisa Daul) Ruben, Jamison Ruben (Nicole Bono), and Nicholas Ruben; adoring great-grandfather of Ellis Opperman; treasured brother of Lois (the late Al) Weber; caring son-in-law of the late Yetta and Abe Dermer; dear brother-in-law of Marilyn (the late Harold) Dermer; loving uncle and great uncle to many nieces and nephews; and,

WHEREAS, Fred Ruben was an Army World War II Veteran who served our country from October 10, 1944 thru August 16, 1946. He was part of the 80th Infantry Division, one of the longest fighting divisions in World War II. During his military career, Fred Ruben helped liberate English prisoners of war in a Munich Nazi Camp; and,


WHEREAS, After serving his country, Fred Ruben became a Chicago Public School physical education and health teacher, guidance counselor, and football, baseball, and swim coach at Lake View High School for 25 years. He was also a football coach at Sullivan High School for 10 years; drivers' education instructor at Mather High School; and he also volunteer at Highland Park Hospital for 23 years; and

WHEREAS, After his retirement from Lake View High School, and due to his love for the students he taught and guided, he founded the Lake View Alumni Association. It was his personal project and passion to keep as many alumni in touch as possible; and,

WHEREAS, Fred Ruben was an individual of great integrity and leader who made a difference to many people and will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his relatives and friends and those who lives he touched; and now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this nineteenth day of February 2020 do hereby commemorate Fred A. Ruben (Coach Ruben) 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 prepared and presented to the family members of Fred A. Ruben.



Ariel E. Reboyras
Alderman, 30th Ward

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