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Tribute to late Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 101; and

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

WHEREAS, The Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe was the loving husband of the late Harriett and Beulah; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe was the much-adored father of Bunny Polovin and Rick Wolfe, the stepfather of Steve Zee and the late Flora Fishbein, the grandfather of ten and the great-grandfather of many; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe worked as an attorney in private practice and as a federal prosecutor before being elected to the Illinois House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe served in Springfield from 1964 to 1974 where he was instrumental in edu cating the public and changing laws regarding Sudden Infant Death Syndrome; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe's efforts helped to remove the stigma of blame from the parents of babies who died from SIDS and educated coroners, police officers and fire department rescue squads about the fatal condition; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe was a Circuit Court Judge of Cook County from 1974 to 1984; and

WHEREAS, After raising his family in the Peterson Park neighborhood, the Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe moved to a Lake Shore Drive condominium; and

WHEREAS, During World War II, the Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe was a Lieutenant on a United States Navy supply vessel; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared the Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe 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, The Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe was an individual of great integrity and accomplishment who will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, the Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe 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 eighteenth day of May, 2016, do hereby commemorate the Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe 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 Honorable Bernard B. Wolfe.

Alderman – 14th Ward