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Tribute to late John Edward McHugh

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, John Edward "Jack" McHugh has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God; and

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

WHEREAS, John Edward "Jack" McHugh was the loving and devoted husband of Brenda and the late Rosemary, nee Hartigan; and

WHEREAS, John Edward "Jack" McHugh was the much-adored father of five children to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Raised in the Beverly neighborhood, John Edward "Jack" McHugh attended St. Rita High School where he excelled at football and was recruited to attend Notre Dame University by its legendary athletic director, Moose Krause; and

WHEREAS, In 1951 John Edward "Jack" McHugh left college to join the United States Army where he served until 1953; and

WHEREAS, Returning to Chicago, John Edward "Jack" McHugh declined an offer to play football for the Chicago Cardinals and joined his family's construction business; and

WHEREAS, Along with his brother, James, John Edward "Jack" McHugh built the business founded by their grandfather into an internationally successful company; and

WHEREAS, The high-profile projects constructed by McHugh included Marina Towers, Water Tower Place, Prudential Plaza, the O'Hare International Hotel and Trump Tower; and

WHEREAS, In 1969 John Edward "Jack" McHugh founded the Special Children's Charities to sponsor the original Special Olympic Games held at Soldier Field; and

WHEREAS, As owner of the Four Torches Restaurant, John Edward "Jack" McHugh hosted annual benefits supporting Special Olympics which headlined celebrities such as Frank Sinatra, Bob Hope, Pat Henry and Tom Dreesen; and

WHEREAS, The longstanding civic contributions and dedication of John Edward "Jack" McHugh serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared John Edward "Jack" McHugh 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, To his beloved family, John Edward "Jack" McHugh 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 twenty-eighth day of June, 2017, do hereby commemorate John Edward "Jack" McHugh 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 John Edward "Jack" McHugh.

Alderman - 14th Ward