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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 88; and

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

WHEREAS, The Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter was a member of the Society of the Divine Word and a longtime missionary in Papua New Guinea; and

WHEREAS, Born in 1928 in Libertyville, the Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter was the son of Joseph and Clara, nee Folliard; and

WHEREAS, In 1943 at the age of 15, the Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter joined his older brother, John, and entered the Divine Word Seminary in East Troy, Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter professed his vows and was ordained to the priesthood in 1955; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter ministered for 40 years in Papua New Guinea, the world's second-largest island nation; and

WHEREAS, Because his missionary work relied heavily on the use of air travel to reach remote locations, the Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter trained to be a pilot and mechanic; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter spent nine years as a mission pilot on emergency medical flights and delivering supplies; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter served three terms as Rector in the Diocese of Wewak on the north-central coast of Papua New Guinea and oversaw its communications center for 22 years; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter returned to the United States in 2001 at the age of 73 and lived at the Divine Word Residence in East Troy before moving to Techny in 2013; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, the Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter 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 fourteenth day of September, 2016, do hereby commemorate the Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter 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 Reverend Patrick W. Fincutter.



Alderman - 14th Ward