



# City of Chicago



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## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Rabbi Herman Schaalman has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 100; and

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

**WHEREAS**, Rabbi Herman Schaalman was a widely admired member of the religious community and the loving husband for 76 years of the late Lotte; and

**WHEREAS**, Rabbi Herman Schaalman was an interfaith pioneer and the longest-serving leader of the Emanuel Congregation in Chicago's Edgewater community; and

**WHEREAS**, Rabbi Herman Schaalman headed the congregation for thirty years and served for nearly three more decades as Rabbi Emeritus; and

**WHEREAS**, Rabbi Herman Schaalman came to the United States from his native Germany in 1935 to attend Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, Rabbi Herman Schaalman married his wife the day after his ordination in May of 1941 and they raised two children, Susan and Michael; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his life, Rabbi Herman Schaalman was constantly shaped by the horrors of the Holocaust that he escaped; and


**WHEREAS**, Rabbi Herman Schaalman initially served a congregation in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and went on to teach at a number of Chicago Christian seminaries where he forged ecumenical friendships; and

**WHEREAS**, The holiness, sacrifice and dedication of Rabbi Herman Schaalman serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS**, To his beloved family, Rabbi Herman Schaalman 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-second day of February, 2017, do hereby commemorate Rabbi Herman Schaalman 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 Rabbi Herman Schaalman.



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