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Tribute to late Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-three; and

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

**WHEREAS,** A resident of the Hyde Park neighborhood, Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers was a widely admired member of the medical community and the loving husband of Michele; and

**WHEREAS,** Born in Paris and raised in Dublin, Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers came from a prominent Irish family; and

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers was the son of the Honorable Erskine Hamilton Childers, the fourth President of the Republic of Ireland, and the grandson of author and Irish nationalist Robert Erskine Childers; and

**WHEREAS,** A longtime professor of medicine at the University of Chicago, Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers was an internationally-recognized authority on the use and interpretation of electrocardiograms; and

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers pioneered the use of electrocardiograms in ambulances and elevated the standard of emergency care provided by first-responders; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout his remarkable tenure, Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers demonstrated both a sharp intellect and a wit in teaching generations of medical students; and

**WHEREAS,** In addition to his work in cardiology, Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers displayed a great passion for Irish literature and history; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

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**WHEREAS,** Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To his wife, Michele, his two sons, Peter and Daniel, and his three sisters, Carainn, Margaret and Nessa, Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers 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 eighth day of October, 2014, do hereby commemorate Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers 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 Dr. Roderick "Rory" Childers.

Alderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward