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## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Robert J. McSweeney has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of seventy-eight; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicago City Council has been informed of his passing by Aldermen Edward M. Burke and Matt O'Shea; and

**WHEREAS**, A retired Chicago police officer and decorated military veteran, Robert J. McSweeney was the loving and devoted husband of Shirley; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert J. McSweeney was the much-adored father of Kathleen, the Honorable Colleen, Robert, Maureen, Timothy, Mary and Julie and the grandfather of thirteen to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities which he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS**, A lifelong resident of Chicago's South Side, Robert J. McSweeney was a graduate of St. Bernard Elementary School and Parker High School; and

**WHEREAS**, A proud member of the United States Marine Corps, Robert J. McSweeney bravely served his country in the Korean War and was awarded three Purple Hearts; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert J. McSweeney married Shirley Wallace, his wife of fifty-eight years, on December 26, 1953, while on leave from his military service; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert J. McSweeney joined the Chicago Police Department in October of 1956 and served proudly for thirty-four years; and


**WHEREAS**, As a member of the Chicago Police Department's Traffic Division, Robert J. McSweeney was among the officers who escorted Queen Elizabeth II on her 1969 tour of Chicago; and


**WHEREAS**, Robert J. McSweeney was extremely proud that his son, Robert, chose to follow in his footsteps as a Chicago police officer; and

**WHEREAS**, To his beloved family, Robert J. McSweeney 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 fifteenth day of February, 2012, do hereby commemorate Robert J. McSweeney 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 Robert J. McSweeney.

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

  
Alderman - 19<sup>th</sup> Ward