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Tribute to late Nello Ferrara

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Nello Ferrara has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of ninety-three; and

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

WHEREAS, A resident of River Forest, Nello Ferrara was a widely admired business and civic leader and the devoted husband for sixty-three years of Marilyn, nee Bies; and

WHEREAS, Nello Ferrara was the much-adored father of Serajean, Salvatore II and Nella, the grandfather of eight and the great-grandfather of three; and

WHEREAS, Nello Ferrara was the dear brother of Florence and the late Benita; and

WHEREAS, An icon of the candy industry, Nello Ferrara was the Chairman of the Board of Ferrara Pan Candy Company which was founded by his father, Salvatore, in Chicago in 1908; and

WHEREAS, Nello Ferrara was also a widely admired leader in the Italian-American community who helped to build Villa Scalabrini Nursing Home where Frank Sinatra, Jimmy Durante and Dean Martin entertained residents with their performances; and

WHEREAS, During World War II, Nello Ferrara worked as an attorney on the United States Army war crimes tribunal in Tokyo, Japan; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Nello Ferrara serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Nello Ferrara 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, Nello Ferrara 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 Nello Ferrara 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 Nello Ferrara.

Alderman - 4th Ward