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Resolution

Tribute to late Yoshi Katsumura

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** Yoshi Katsumura has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God; and

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

**WHEREAS,** Yoshi Katsumura was a widely admired Chicago restaurateur and the loving husband of Nobuko; and

**WHEREAS,** For the past 33 years, Yoshi Katsumura operated Yoshi's Café at 3257 North Halsted Street which became one of the most important restaurants in the Lake View community; and

**WHEREAS,** Through his highly successful eatery, Yoshi Katsumura infused life into the neighborhood by making his eatery a much sought-after destination for food lovers citywide; and

**WHEREAS,** Yoshi Katsumura first offered luxury French-Asian fusion cuisine before changing to a more casual and affordable menu to keep pace with the market; and

**WHEREAS,** Before opening Yoshi's Café in 1982, Yoshi Katsumura gained experience at some of the Chicago area's most notable restaurants, including Le Francais and Le Bastille, and joined the late Jimmy Rohr to open Jimmy's Place; and

**WHEREAS,** Yoshi Katsumura generously supported charities and hosted fundraising dinners benefiting victims of the earthquake in Japan and pediatric AIDS research; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Yoshi Katsumura serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Yoshi Katsumura 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,** Yoshi Katsumura was an individual of great integrity and accomplishment who will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To his beloved family, Yoshi Katsumura 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-fourth day of September 2015, do hereby commemorate Yoshi Katsumura 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 Yoshi Katsumura.

Alderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward