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Resolution

Tribute to late Wendell Anderson

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Wendell Anderson has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 83; and

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

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Wendell Anderson was a former United States Senator and Governor of the State of Minnesota; and

**WHEREAS,** Raised in a working-class neighborhood of St. Paul, the Honorable Wendell Anderson was the son of a sausage delivery truck driver; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Wendell Anderson earned a law degree from the the University of Minnesota while serving in the state legislature; and

**WHEREAS,** An Army infantry officer, the Honorable Wendell Anderson won a silver medal as a member of the United States Olympic hockey team in 1956; and

**WHEREAS,** Known for his good looks and folksy manner, the Honorable Wendell Anderson was elected Governor in 1970; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Wendell Anderson was on the cover of the August 13, 1973 issue of *Time Magazine* which called him a "Midwestern Kennedy"; and

**WHEREAS,** As Governor the Honorable Wendell Anderson championed an overhaul of school aid and taxes which became known as the "Minnesota miracle"; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Wendell Anderson also implemented environmental safeguards, a minimum wage and programs for housing, seniors and drug treatment; and

**WHEREAS,** The Honorable Wendell Anderson served as a United States Senator from 1976 to 1978; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Honorable Wendell Anderson serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared the Honorable Wendell Anderson 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,** The Honorable Wendell Anderson 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, the Honorable Wendell Anderson 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 fourteenth day of September, 2016, do hereby commemorate the Honorable Wendell Anderson 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 the Honorable Wendell Anderson.

Aldern Ward