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Title:	Tribute to late Metropolitan Iakovos
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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Metropolitan Iakovos has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 89; and

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

WHEREAS, Metropolitan Iakovos was the leader of the Greek Orthodox Church in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Metropolitan Iakovos was born Michael Garmatis in Athens, Greece in 1928; and

WHEREAS, As a young clergyman, Metropolitan Iakovos earned a doctorate from Boston University and taught at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology; and

WHEREAS, Lauded as an “unforgettable hierarch,” Metropolitan Iakovos was elected to serve as Bishop in 1979; and

WHEREAS, During his 38-year tenure, Metropolitan Iakovos assisted the homeless, founded youth programs and strengthened the Church’s commitment to social justice; and

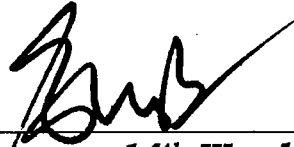
WHEREAS, Metropolitan Iakovos distinguished himself through his deep piety, ecclesiastical ethos and the special love he had for the sacred services of the Orthodox liturgical tradition; and

WHEREAS, The holiness, sacrifice and dedication of Metropolitan Iakovos serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Metropolitan Iakovos 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-eighth day of June, 2017, do hereby commemorate Metropolitan Iakovos 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 Metropolitan Iakovos.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Bub' with a checkmark-like flourish at the end.

Alderman - 14th Ward

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