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Tribute to Late Roger Kennedy

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## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** Roger Kennedy has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-five; and

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

**WHEREAS**, Roger Kennedy was a former Director of the National Park Service who enjoyed a highly successful and diverse career in both public service and the private sector; and

**WHEREAS,** Roger Kennedy was appointed Director of the National Park Service by President Bill Clinton where he distinguished himself in his position from 1993 to 1997; and

**WHEREAS**, Roger Kennedy served in various roles of government under six Presidents and was also a former NBC correspondent who covered the United States Supreme Court for the television network; and

**WHEREAS,** In 1979 Roger Kennedy began a more than dozen-year tenure as Director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History which was marked by efforts to make the institution more accessible and engaging to the public; and

**WHEREAS,** Roger Kennedy's varied career also included stints in banking, television production and historical writing; and

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

**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Roger Kennedy 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**, Roger Kennedy 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, Roger Kennedy 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 second day of November, 2011, do hereby commemorate Roger Kennedy 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 Roger Kennedy.

Alderman - 14th Ward