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Title: Tribute to late Honorable Robert D. Ray
Committee(s) Assignment:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert D. Ray 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, The Honorable Robert D. Ray was the 38th Governor of the State of Iowa and the husband of Billie; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert D. Ray was the much-adored father of Randi, Lu Ann and Victoria and the grandfather of eight to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, A native of Des Moines, the Honorable Robert D. Ray earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Drake University; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert D. Ray was elected Governor in 1968 and served for five terms; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure in office, the Honorable Robert D. Ray expanded funding for education and eliminated the sales tax on food and drugs; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert D. Ray also implemented Iowa's first deposit on cans and bottles to encourage recycling efforts; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert D. Ray was a recipient of numerous awards, including the state's highest honor, the Iowa Award; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the Honorable Robert D. Ray serve as an example to all; and

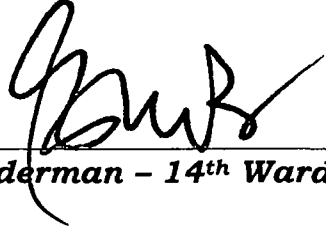
WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared the Honorable Robert D. Ray to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert D. Ray 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 Robert D. Ray 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-fifth day of July, 2018, do hereby commemorate the Honorable Robert D. Ray 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 Robert D. Ray.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. Williams', written over a horizontal line.

Alderman - 14th Ward