



# City of Chicago



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## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** Alma Fitzpatrick has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 99; and

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

**WHEREAS,** A woman of dignity, grace and charm, Alma Fitzpatrick was the loving wife of the late Peter who served from 1967 to 1991 as the Chairman of the Chicago Commission on Human Rights; and

**WHEREAS,** Raised in Joliet, the former Alma Berard met her future husband while working at a Chicago law firm where he was a lawyer; and

**WHEREAS,** The couple married in 1937 and Alma Fitzpatrick raised her family of 16 children in the Englewood and Beverly neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS,** Alma Fitzpatrick cherished each of her children as a gift from God and was the mother Maureen, Elaine, Joe, Mike, Colleen, Yvonne, Bob, Tom, Rita, Barbara, John, Bill, Dorothy, Catherine, Margaret and the late Jim, the grandmother of 25 and the great-grandmother of 13; and

**WHEREAS,** Alma Fitzpatrick displayed an amazing talent for organization and even took foreign exchange students into her home as a way of broadening her children's understanding of the world; and

**WHEREAS,** In addition to the many responsibilities as a parent and homemaker, Alma Fitzpatrick always found time for dancing which was one of the true joys of her life; and

**WHEREAS,** Alma Fitzpatrick was an active member in the Christian Family Movement and the Rosary Society; and

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

**WHEREAS,** Alma Fitzpatrick was an individual of great integrity and goodness who will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To her beloved family, Alma Fitzpatrick 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 seventeenth day of June, 2015, do hereby commemorate Alma Fitzpatrick for her grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to her family; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Alma Fitzpatrick.



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**Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**