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Tribute to Late Mary Kay O'Rourke

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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Mary Kay O'Rourke, born May 7th, 1967, was called by God to her eternal reward at the age of 44, she left behind a loving family and legacy of service that changed the lives of the students of St. Angela's Elementary School:

WHEREAS, During her 15 years at St. Angela's, "Ms. O" served as a teacher, an Assistant Principal, and a Principal whose door was always open to the students, parents, and faculty of St Angela's;

WHEREAS, Mary Kay, through her tireless efforts and partnership with the Big Shoulders fund, was able to increase enrollment at St. Angela's from under 200 students to over 450 students, providing scholarships to those who could not otherwise afford to attend the school;

WHEREAS, the dedication to both the children of St. Angela's and the members of the South Austin community displayed by Mary Kay was exemplary, her passing and legacy have led to the establishment of two distinct scholarships so that children born into poverty may attend St. Angela's, the work that Mary Kay was so passionate about shall continue;

WHEREAS, Her loving parents, Mary Ann Murphy & the late Kevin O'Rourke, instilled in Mary Kay a love for others while showering her with their love, which she shared with her siblings, Jack, Kevin, Dan, Mick, Patty, Denis, and Geralyn,

WHEREAS, Auntie Kay was always a warm presence in the lives of her nieces and nephews John Ryan, Conor, Katie, Rayanna, Abby, Jack, Kevin, Sean, Mikey, Eddie, Madelyn, Thomas, Denis, Brendan, Liam, Clare-Scarlett and Molly, her smile mirrored on their faces, she was often found at the roller rink, hosting movie nights, and playing cards in her usual way, as she surely is with the angels,

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this Second day of November, 2011, do hereby express our sorrow on the death of Mary Kay O'Rourke and extend to her family and friends our deepest sympathy; and

Be It Further Resolved, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Mary Kay O'Rourke.

Mary O'Connor

Alderman, 41st Ward

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Deborah L. Graham

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Alderman, 29th Ward