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Tribute to late Paul McGrath

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Paul McGrath has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of seventy-five; and

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

WHEREAS, Paul McGrath was a widely admired Chicago journalist, photographer and educator; and

WHEREAS, Paul McGrath was the much-adored father of Kelly and Molly, the brother of Patricia and the grandfather of Margaret to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Raised in Humboldt Park, Paul McGrath began his journalism career at the *City News Bureau of Chicago*, the city's wire service; and

WHEREAS, Paul McGrath became an investigative reporter for the *Chicago Sun-Times*, the *Chicago Tribune* and *Chicago Magazine* during a career in which he worked as an editorial writer and covered labor and politics; and

WHEREAS, Paul McGrath served as Chief of Staff and Deputy Mayor for Mayor Jane M. Byrne; and

WHEREAS, Paul McGrath later taught journalism at Northwestern University and Columbia College before resuming his passion for photography in 1990; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Paul McGrath serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Paul McGrath 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, Paul McGrath 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, Paul McGrath 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, 2012, do hereby commemorate Paul McGrath 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 Paul McGrath.

Alderman - 14th Ward