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Tribute to late Mary Mix McDonald

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR MARY MIX McDONALD

WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that members of this Chamber learned of the death of Mary Mix McDonald at the age of 92 in New Berlin, New York on Tuesday, December 12, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The City Council has been informed of her passing by The Honorable Margaret Laurino, Alderman of the 39<sup>th</sup> Ward; and

WHEREAS, Born on June 01, 1925 Mary was the devoted daughter to Dr. Bronislaus John and Armella Hellmuth Mix; loving mother of Gerald Owen McDonald, Jr, Sandra McDonald Jones (Willis) and Elizabeth McDonald Wakeman (Steven); dearest grandmother of Alexandra Jones Hayne (Brian), Bryant Jones (Elizabeth), Meredith McDonald Inniger (Matthew) and Elizabeth Ann Jones; and proud great-grandmother of William and Christopher Hayne; and survived by her brother B. John Mix, Jr. and his children and grandchildren, her brother Joseph A. Mix (Delinda) and their children and grandchildren; preceded in death by her sister Elizabeth Mix Valantiejus and her former husband Dr. Gerald Owen McDonald and treasured friend to all who had the pleasure of knowing her. Mary leaves a legacy of faith, dignity and love; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished politician, Mary was a Commissioner of the Cook County Board and the Forest Preserve District for twenty years. Additionally, she worked as Board, Director of the Regional Transportation Authority for twelve years. With a multifaceted life including activity as a socialite, harpist, philanthropist, champion and mentor of women, world traveler, nature lover and student of art history, Mary had a passion for intellectual pursuits and was only a phone call away for cogent problem solving. Mary touched the lives of all who knew her through her love and vivacious spirit. She will be profoundly missed, but the memory of her character will live on in those who knew and loved her; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That we, the Mayor and member of the City Council of the City of Chicago gathered here this twenty eighth day of February, 2018, do hereby express our sorrow on the death of Mary Mix McDonald and express 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 Mix McDonald as a token of our honor, gratitude, and respect.

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MARGARET LAURINO Alderman, 39<sup>th</sup> Ward

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