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<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	

*MEMORIAL RESOLUTION*

WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that members of this Chamber learned of the death of the James G. Kelly on February 7, 2016 at the age of eighty-two; and

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

WHEREAS, Born on July 3, 1933, James was the beloved husband of Harriet, nee Klisch; loving father of Kimberly (Robert) Kucharski, Joyce (Robert) Krajecki and Tina (Ronald) Westphal; proud grandfather of Matthew (Natalie) Kucharski, Michael (Megan) Krajecki, Kenneth (Ruth) Kucharski, JJ (Megan) Westphal and Kristina (Ricky) Schrader; adoring great-grandfather of Alexis, Xavier, Haley, Jonathan, Grayson, Riley and Kelly; dear brother of the late Margaret (the late Emil) Kotowicz; cherished uncle and great uncle of many and treasured friend to all who had the pleasure of knowing him. James leaves a legacy of faith, dignity and love; and

WHEREAS, James was an active and vital member of his community. This Korean War Veteran, known as the "Mayor of Knox Avenue", had been a spirited member of the Irish American Heritage Center, Sokol Community Center and St. Edward Church. He touched the lives of all who knew him through his kindness, generosity and spirit, making him a truly unforgettable person. He will be deeply missed, but the memory of his smile, caring spirit, enduring patience, thoughtfulness, character, intelligence and compassion will live on in those who knew and loved him, now, therefore,

*Be It Resolved*, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago gathered here this sixteenth day of March, 2016, do hereby express our sorrow on the death of the James G. Kelly and express to his family and friends our deepest sympathy; and

*Be It Further Resolved*, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of the James G. Kelly as a token of our honor, gratitude, and respect.

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