

## City of Chicago



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## Office of the City Clerk

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**Meeting Date:** 4/30/2014

Sponsor(s): Burke (14)

Type: Resolution

Title: Tribute to late Antoinette Tufano

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, Antoinette Tufano 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 lifelong resident of Little Italy, Antoinette Tufano was the beloved daughter of the late Domenico and Maria; and

**WHEREAS,** Antoinette Tufano was the dear sister of the late Michael, Theresa, Christopher, Joseph, Rose and Salvatore; and

**WHEREAS,** Antoinette "Auntie Toni" Tufano was known by all as a fixture in the old neighborhood at Aberdeen Street and Vernon Park Place; and

**WHEREAS,** Antoinette Tufano was the original baker at the Tufano's Bakery which was known for its Old World recipes, handed down through the generations; and

**WHEREAS**, During the Great Depression, the bakery helped to sustain the Near West Side community by handing out free bread to customers, many of whom were considered friends; and

**WHEREAS**, Antoinette Tufano was also a mainstay in the kitchen of Tufano's Vernon Park Tap, which opened across the street in the 1930s, and remains a vibrant destination for Chicago diners; and

**WHEREAS,** The restaurant was awarded the America's Classics Award and has not only catered to working-class Chicagoans, but also to high-profile patrons like singer Frank Sinatra and novelist Nelson Algren; and

**WHEREAS**, For many years, Antoinette Tufano worked full-time at a local bank and a nearby medical facility while working nights and weekends at the family-run business; and

**WHEREAS**, Antoinette Tufano will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives, friends and neighbors; and

**WHEREAS,** To her beloved family, Antoinette Tufano 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 thirtieth day of April, 2014, do hereby commemorate Antoinette Tufano 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 Antoinette Tufano.

Alderman – 14<sup>th</sup> Ward