



# City of Chicago



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## Document Tracking Sheet

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| <b>Meeting Date:</b>            | 6/25/2014                             |
| <b>Sponsor(s):</b>              | Burke (14)                            |
| <b>Type:</b>                    | Resolution                            |
| <b>Title:</b>                   | Tribute to late John O. "Jack" Roeser |
| <b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b> |                                       |

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** John O. "Jack" Roeser has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 90; and

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

**WHEREAS,** A resident of Barrington, John O. "Jack" Roeser was the loving husband of Jeannine; and

**WHEREAS,** John O. "Jack" Roeser was the much-adored father of Ron, Tom, Otto and Jean to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS,** John O. "Jack" Roeser served during World War II as a Combat Engineer in the United States Army in the Philippines and was among the first soldiers to enter Japan after its surrender; and

**WHEREAS,** After the war, John O. "Jack" Roeser earned a degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Illinois; and

**WHEREAS,** John O. "Jack" Roeser was the Chairman of OTTO Engineering in Carpentersville, a company he founded in his basement that manufactures electronic control and communications switches for aerospace, medical and industrial uses; and

**WHEREAS,** A widely admired business and civic leader, John O. "Jack" Roeser was a generous philanthropist; and

**WHEREAS,** John O. "Jack" Roeser championed causes such as freedom of the individual and small government; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of John O. "Jack" Roeser serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared John O. "Jack" Roeser to his family members, friends and

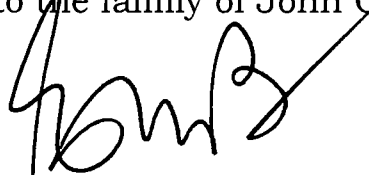
all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

**WHEREAS**, John O. "Jack" Roeser will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS**, To his beloved family, John O. "Jack" Roeser 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 June, 2014, do hereby commemorate John O. "Jack" Roeser 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 John O. "Jack" Roeser.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. B. Smith", is written over a horizontal line.

**Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**