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## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Nancy Reagan has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 94; and

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

**WHEREAS**, A woman of dignity, grace and charm, Nancy Reagan was the loving and devoted wife of President Ronald Reagan; and

**WHEREAS**, Nancy Reagan attended high school in Chicago at the exclusive Latin School and graduated from Smith College in Massachusetts where she majored in English and drama; and

**WHEREAS**, During the 1940s, Nancy Reagan embarked on a career as an actress in Hollywood where she signed a contract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios and met her future husband, Ronald Reagan, then President of the Screen Actors Guild; and

**WHEREAS**, Nancy Reagan was First Lady of the State of California during her husband's two terms as Governor from 1967 to 1975; and

**WHEREAS**, Nancy Reagan served as First Lady when her husband was elected the 40<sup>th</sup> President of the United States in 1981; and

**WHEREAS**, An influential advisor and confidante to her husband, Nancy Reagan launched the "Just Say No" to drugs campaign; and

**WHEREAS**, Nancy Reagan was great source of strength, support and encouragement to the President following the 1981 assassination attempt; and

**WHEREAS**, After leaving the White House, Nancy and Ronald Reagan purchased a home in the East Gate Old Bel Air neighborhood of Los Angeles and spent time at their ranch in Santa Barbara; and

**WHEREAS**, Nancy Reagan's book, *My Turn: The Memoirs of Nancy Reagan*, was published in 1989; and

**WHEREAS**, Nancy Reagan cared for her husband during his ten-year struggle with Alzheimer's and raised money for research into the disease; and

**WHEREAS,** The passing in 2004 of President Reagan ended what actor Charlton Heston called “the greatest love affair in the history of the American presidency”; and

**WHEREAS,** The loyalty, sacrifice and dedication of Nancy Reagan serve as an example to all; and

**WHEREAS,** Nancy Reagan will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To her children, Patti and Ronald, and her step-son, Michael, Nancy Reagan 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 sixteenth day of March, 2016, do hereby commemorate Nancy Reagan 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 Nancy Reagan.



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