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Tribute to late Dan Rooney

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RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Dan Rooney has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 84; and

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

WHEREAS, Dan Rooney was the loving and devoted husband of Patricia; and

WHEREAS, Dan Rooney was the much-adored father of nine children to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Dan Rooney was the Chairman of the Pittsburgh Steelers and presided over a golden age for the team that won four Super Bowls in six years during the 1970s; and

WHEREAS, The son of Steelers founder Art Rooney Sr., Dan Rooney started with the team as a water boy and worked his way up through the front office; and

WHEREAS, Dan Rooney headed the Steelers after his father passed away in 1988; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Pro Football Hall of Fame, Dan Rooney was considered one the great leaders in the history of the game and played a key role in drafting the team's superstars; and

WHEREAS, The Steelers went on to win more Super Bowls under Dan Rooney's leadership in 2005 and 2008; and

WHEREAS, Dan Rooney spent nearly eight decades with Pittsburgh where he lived most of his life in Pittsburgh; and

WHEREAS, Dan Rooney was appointed U.S. Ambassador to Ireland in 2009 by President Barack Obama; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, vision and dedication of Dan Rooney serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Dan Rooney 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, To his beloved family, Dan Rooney 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-fourth day of May, 2017, do hereby commemorate Dan Rooney 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 Dan Rooney.

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