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## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Emmet Larkin has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-four; and

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

**WHEREAS**, A longtime resident of Hyde Park, Dr. Emmet Larkin was a widely admired educator and the loving and devoted husband of Dianne; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Emmet Larkin was the much-adored father of Heather and Siobhan and the grandfather of two to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities which he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS**, An Irish history scholar, Dr. Emmet Larkin devoted the bulk of his career to studying Ireland's past and the role of the Roman Catholic Church in bringing education and jobs to the impoverished following the country's 19<sup>th</sup> Century potato famine; and

**WHEREAS**, For forty years, Dr. Emmet Larkin worked as a history professor at the University of Chicago where his students and colleagues will remember him as a lively and animated instructor with high academic standards; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Emmet Larkin's love of Irish history came directly from his mother who was born and raised in Ireland, and from his father, who spent the greater part of his youth there; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Emmet Larkin served in the United States Army during World War II after which he earned a doctorate in history from New York's Columbia University; and

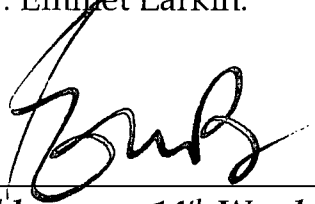
**WHEREAS**, Prior to joining the University of Chicago faculty, Dr. Emmet Larkin taught English at both Brooklyn College and at Massachusetts Institute of Technology; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Emmet Larkin earned many honors and awards for his work, including an honorary doctorate from the National University of Ireland; and

**WHEREAS**, To his beloved family, Dr. Emmet Larkin 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 eighteenth day of April, 2012, do hereby commemorate Dr. Emmet Larkin 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 Dr. Emmet Larkin.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Burb', is written over a horizontal line.

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