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Sponsor(s):	Burke, Edward M. (14)
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Title:	Tribute to late Willie E. May
Committee(s) Assignment:	

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Willie L. May has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of seventy-five; and

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

WHEREAS, Willie L. May was an Olympic silver medalist and a longtime Athletic Director for Evanston Township High School; and

WHEREAS, A native of Alabama, Willie L. May came to the Chicago area as a youth; and

WHEREAS, Willie L. May graduated from Blue Island High School where he excelled in track and field and attended Indiana University, where he won seven Big Ten championships in hurdles; and

WHEREAS, As a participant in the 1960 Olympic Games held in Rome, Willie L. May won a silver medal in the one-hundred ten meter hurdles, capturing the same medal in the 1963 Pan American Games; and

WHEREAS, In the early 1970s, Willie L. May joined Evanston Township High School as a coach and physical education teacher and was named Athletic Director in 1983; and

WHEREAS, During his highly successful tenure at Evanston Township High School, Willie L. May led the track and field team to twenty-six conference titles and five state championships; and

WHEREAS, Even after retiring from his various positions at the school, Willie L. May remained active in Evanston Township High School athletics; and

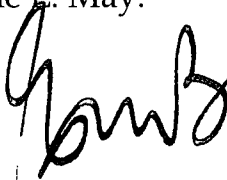
WHEREAS, Willie L. May was a member of the Indiana University Athletic Hall of Fame, the Illinois Track and Cross Country Coaches Association Hall of Fame, and the Chicagoland Sports Hall of Fame, and was named the greatest athlete in the history of Blue Island High School; and

WHEREAS, Willie L. May will be remembered for his grace, humility and strength which defined his life's work; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Willie L. May 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 Willie L. May 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 Willie L. May.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. B. B.', is written over a horizontal line.

Alderman - 14th Ward