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Tribute to late John E. O'Malley

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, John E. O'Malley has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-eight; and

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

WHEREAS, John E. O'Malley was a highly decorated thirty-year veteran of the Chicago Fire Department and the loving husband of Loretta; and

WHEREAS, John E. O'Malley was the much-adored father of the Honorable Jack, Kevin, Kathleen, Maureen, Timothy, Brian and the late Mary Loretta, the grandfather of nine and the great-grandfather of three; and

WHEREAS, Raised on the Northwest Side, John E. O'Malley served his country in the United States Navy in the Pacific during World War II; and

WHEREAS, John E. O'Malley joined the Chicago Fire Department in 1953 and rose through the ranks to become a Deputy Commissioner in charge of support services and 4th Battalion Chief; and

WHEREAS, John E. O'Malley was given the nickname "Black Jack" by his fellow firefighters in recognition of his toughness and devotion to duty; and

WHEREAS, As a young Lieutenant, John E. O'Malley led the Chicago Fire Department's first snorkel unit; and

WHEREAS, John E. O'Malley was honored with a lifesaving award after rescuing a woman from the third floor of a burning apartment building; and

WHEREAS, Colleagues, friends, and loved ones of John E. O'Malley will remember him as a dedicated and selfless leader; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, John E. O'Malley 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 John E. O'Malley 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 E. O'Malley.

Alderman - 14th Ward