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Tribute to late Patricia Shelton

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Patricia Shelton 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 her passing by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Shelton was a retired journalist who enjoyed a reputation as one of the nation's top fashion editors; and

WHEREAS, Tough, blunt and colorful, Patricia Shelton began her journalism career at the Shreveport Journal in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Shelton was a veteran of newsrooms in Houston and New York and served as the Fashion Editor at the Chicago Daily News and the Chicago Sun-Times; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Shelton's knowledge of the industry was widely acknowledged from Chicago to the fashion capitals of Paris, Rome and Madrid; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Lauren expressed his utmost respect for Patricia Shelton when he said that just one look on her face was all he needed to determine if his fashions worked or failed; and

WHEREAS, During her career, Patricia Shelton earned awards that included a gold medal from the Italian government, two New York Franny Awards for fashion coverage, the Chicago Fashion Exchange Achievement Award, the Marshall Field Award for editorial excellence and the President's Award of the Illinois Fabricare Institute; and

WHEREAS, When Patricia Shelton retired in 1987 renowned fashion icon Oscar de la Renta flew to Chicago to preside over a tribute to her; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Patricia Shelton serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, Her love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Patricia Shelton to her family members, friends and all who knew her, and enabled her to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Shelton was an individual of great integrity and accomplishment who will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by her many relatives, friends and admirers; and

WHEREAS, To her beloved family, Patricia Shelton 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 tenth day of April, 2013, do hereby commemorate Patricia Shelton 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 Patricia Shelton.

Alderman – 14th Ward