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TRIBUTE TO SALLY P. KATONA-KING

WHEREAS, In His Infinite Wisdom, Almighty God has granted Sally P. Katona-King birth into eternity on April 12th, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Sally P. Katona-King was born in 1943, flourishing along with her three siblings, Mary Ellen, Michael, and Nancy. As a teenager, she attended Waller High School (now known as Lincoln Park High School). She worked at Frank's Pizza on West Belmont for a period of time before becoming a receptionist at the Metropolitan Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church; and

WHEREAS, Sally P. Katona-King was a good-hearted woman, full of life, considerably active, and very happy despite several tragedies. In 1971, she lost her second husband in an armed robbery and her grandson in a fire in the 1980's; and

WHEREAS, It was after these occurrences that Sally P. Katona-King began studying to become a deacon of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. She was also a member-leader of LUNCH (Lutherans United in North Chicago). Her humanity was evident to all. She would help those in need, whether it be with clothes, shelter, or food and always showed care and kindness to others; and

WHEREAS, Sally P. Katona-King had the generosity and passion to assist people in need. She did as much volunteer work as possible to help others. She volunteered at the CTA, Chicago CROP Hunger Walk, and attended community meetings where she could make a difference; and

WHEREAS, Sally P. Katona-King lost her own life due to a senseless tragedy by being shoved down the stairs of the Fullerton Avenue Rapid Transit Station by an escaping petty thief, suffering cerebral hemorrhaging from which she did not recover; and

WHEREAS, Sally P. Katona-King was a loving mother to three: David, Kimberly and Eileen King, and caring grandmother to Laszlo and Amanda. Through every obstacle life threw at her, Sally P. Katona-King maintained her tranquility, showing no sign of negativity to her family or friends. Her life was interrupted violently and she was reborn into eternity; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, assembled this 4th Day of May, 2011 AD, do hereby express our sincere sorrow at the passing of Sally P. Katona-King and extend our deepest condolences to her family and all those whole lives she touched.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the family of Sally P. Katona-King.

RICHARD F. MELL Alderman - 33rd Ward

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