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## Legislation Text

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### *RESOLUTION*

WHEREAS, The Honorable George McGovern has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of ninety; and

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

WHEREAS, A native of South Dakota, the Honorable George McGovern was the loving and devoted husband of the late Eleanor; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George McGovern was the much-adored father of Ann, Susan, Mary, the late Steven and the late Teresa; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George McGovern was a dedicated public servant who enjoyed an influential presence in American politics for more than half a century; and

WHEREAS, The 1972 Democratic nominee for President, the Honorable George McGovern had an enormous impact on the Democratic Party in the decades that followed; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George McGovern was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1956 and served two terms before being elected to the U.S. Senate in 1962, where he served for three terms; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George McGovern achieved many notable successes in the Senate, including the championing of both the modern-day food stamps program and the school lunch program; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George McGovern flew thirty-five combat missions during World War II and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George McGovern attended Dakota Wesleyan University, and earned masters and doctoral degrees from Northwestern University; and

WHEREAS, Later in life, the Honorable George McGovern devoted much of his time to issues of hunger, drawing on his experience as Director of President John F. Kennedy's Food for Peace Program; and

WHEREAS, In 2001 the Honorable George McGovern was named Ambassador to the United Nations World Food Program; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George McGovern will be best remembered for his passion for the needy and as an advocate for peace; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable George McGovern will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, the Honorable George McGovern 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 thirty-first day of October, 2012, do hereby commemorate the Honorable George McGovern for his grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to his family; and  
*Iderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of the Honorable George McGovern.