

Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, In the City of Chicago, there are numerous facilities that provide elder care such as Assisted Living, Supportive Living and Nursing Homes; and,

WHEREAS, Assisted Living facilities are private pay facilities for people who want to living as independently as possible, but still who need assistance with personal care and other services, along with providing support with medical needs; and,

WHEREAS, Supportive Living facilities are for low-income seniors under Medicaid. It combines apartment style living with personal care and other services; and,

WHEREAS, Nursing homes are medical facilities, as they manage the medical care for their residents; and,

WHEREAS, All nursing homes certified by Medicare and/or Medicaid are required by federal law to make a comprehensive assessment of each resident and develop a written plan of care for them; and,

WHEREAS, Recently, an 87 years old woman died in California after a nurse at the independent living facility where she was residing at, refused to perform CPR due to employee policy; and therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this thirteenth day of March, 2013 AD, do hereby call upon Dr. Bechara Choucair, Commissioner of the Chicago Department of Public Health, Dr. Melanie Dreher, President, and members of the Chicago Board of Health to come before the Committee on Health to ensure that such policies are non-existence in the City of Chicago; and,

Ariel E. Reboyras Alderman, 30^{(h} Ward

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we urge other municipalities to consider taking similar action to ensure that this unfortunate incident will never happen again.