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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Pro-golfer and sports analyst Ken Venturi has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 82; and

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

WHEREAS, Ken Venturi was the beloved husband of Kathleen; and

WHEREAS, Ken Venturi was the much-adored father of Matthew and Tim and loving grandfather of four to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Breaking a career-threatening slump, Ken Venturi overcame scorching weather and severe dehydration to win the 1964 U.S. Open during one of the most unforgettable days of professional golf ever televised; and

WHEREAS, For his riveting victory and phenomenal sportsmanship, Ken Venturi was chosen by Sports Illustrated as its Man of the Year for 1964; and

WHEREAS, Ken Venturi retired from professional golf in 1967 with 14 PGA Tour victories; and

WHEREAS, After retiring, Ken Venturi delivered expert commentary for golf matches during a 35-year long career as an analyst for CBS Sports; and

WHEREAS, For his accomplishments as a player and as a broadcaster, Ken Venturi was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Ken Venturi set a high standard for excellence in sports and touched the lives of many with his kindness and generous philanthropic efforts; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Ken Venturi to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, Ken Venturi 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 fifth day of June, 2013, do hereby commemorate Ken Venturi 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 Ken Venturi.