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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 85; and

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

WHEREAS, Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis was an icon of the restaurant industry in the Chicago Metropolitan Area and loving husband for 51 years of Evangeline, nee Mastropulos; and

WHEREAS, Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis was the much-adored father of George, Maria and Manolis and the grandfather of five to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis was the dear brother of Evelyn; and

WHEREAS, The son of immigrant Greek parents, Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis was raised near Clark and Newport and attended Amundsen High School; and

WHEREAS, Following graduation, Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis enlisted in the United States Army and bravely served his country during the Korean War in the Second Infantry Division which saw action and sustained heavy casualties; and

WHEREAS, In 1953 Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis went to work at the Palace Grill on Madison Street and two years later became a co-owner of the restaurant which he helped operate until it was sold in 1969; and

WHEREAS, Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis later founded Kappy's American Grill in Morton Grove where he considered his staff "family"; and

WHEREAS, Along with his two sons, Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis also operated America's Dog eateries at Navy Pier, State and Randolph streets, the Thompson Center and the Green Market at O'Hare International Airport; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis 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, Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis 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 eleventh day of October, 2017, do hereby commemorate Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis for his grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to his family; and

Alderman - 14th Ward

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Constantine "Gus" Alpogianis.