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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Marilyn Miglin has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 83; and

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

WHEREAS, Marilyn is survived by her two children, Marlena and Duke Miglin, family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn grew up in Chicago as Marilyn Klecka, and graduated from Schurz High School on the Northwest Side; and

WHEREAS, She attended Northwestern University on a math scholarship but never graduated because she needed to work to help support herself and her family; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn was 21 when she met her first husband, Lee Miglin who was a real estate developer. After his passing, she married two years later to her second husband, Egyptian Naguib Mankarious who passed in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Her jobs included nurse's assistant, department store model, ballet teacher and dancer at the legendary Chez Paree nightclub, where she performed alongside entertainers including Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett and Jimmy Durante; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn started her beauty company and boutique in June 1963 on Oak Street, which grew to become a cosmetics empire; and

WHEREAS, She went on to invent over 36 fragrances and perfumes through Marilyn Miglin Cosmetics; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn was a host on the Home Shopping Network for over 25 years; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn served on Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley's Special Committee on Tourism, as an Officer of the Chicago Convention, the State of Illinois Board of Economic Development, and on the Board of Directors of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn was a longtime Gold Coast resident, and helped transform Oak Street into one of the City's most chic shopping blocks. She helped organize and formerly headed the Oak Street Council of Merchants; and

WHEREAS, To her beloved family, Marilyn 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 twenty-third day of March, 2022, do hereby commemorate Marilyn for her grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to her family; and

Alderman, 14th Ward

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Marilyn Miglin.