

A resolution

adopted by *The City Council*
of the *City of Chicago, Illinois*



Presented by Alderman Edward M. Burke on December 14, 2011

Whereas, William Hohri has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of eighty-three; and

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

WHEREAS, A native of California, William Hohri was the loving and devoted husband of Yuriko; and

WHEREAS, William Hohri was the much-adored father of Sylvia and Sasha and the grandfather of three to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities which he possessed in abundance; and

WHEREAS, As a teenager, William Hohri was confined to the Manzanar internment camp where he and fellow Japanese-Americans endured poor living conditions and physical and emotional strain; and

WHEREAS, At the conclusion of World War II, William Hohri traveled to Chicago, earning a degree from the University of Chicago before joining the nation's first generation of computer programmers; and

WHEREAS, William Hohri was the lead plaintiff in a lawsuit which demanded restitution for the Japanese-American internees and was instrumental in convincing the United States government that such action was both appropriate and just; and

WHEREAS, William Hohri was a lover of cinema and classical music, and authored three books which focused on the internment of Japanese-Americans during the war; and

WHEREAS, William Hohri inspired the lives of countless people through his great personal goodness, charity and concern; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, dedication and sacrifice of William Hohri serve as an example to all; and

WHEREAS, William Hohri will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives and friends; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, William Hohri 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 fourteenth day of December, 2011, do hereby commemorate William Hohri 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 William Hohri.



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Mayor

Susana A. Mendez

City Clerk