

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Colleen J. Flood passed away on September 19th, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Chicago City Council has been informed of her passing by Alderman Scott Waguespack; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of the pivotal role she played in uplifting the North side community of Roscoe Village in Chicago, the Mayor and Members of this Chamber are proud to commemorate Colleen J. Flood; and

WHEREAS, Colleen J. Flood was born on August 22, 1944, on the South side of Chicago. At nine years of age, her family uprooted to the North side. She attended Carl Schurz High School, followed by beauty school; and

WHEREAS, Colleen moved to Roscoe Village in 1979 where she became a businesswoman and remained a lifelong resident, and

WHEREAS, Colleen and Paul, her partner of 45 years, dedicated their time to improving Roscoe Village, buying the building at 2212 W. Roscoe Street to open her third beauty salon. Colleen worked as the owner stylist and they rented apartments to new residents to the neighborhood. Together they bought properties and helped rebuild Roscoe Village, and

WHEREAS, during this time, she became the co-owner of the ever popular neighborhood spot "The Four Treys Tavern" on Damen and Henderson. Because of her love and enthusiasm for animals, the Four Treys became one of the very first dog-friendly bars in the city of Chicago, and

WHEREAS, throughout her time in Roscoe Village, Colleen mentored new business owners in the Village and developed lifelong friendships with everyone in the area.

WHEREAS, Colleen took enormous pride in the community and along with a few other neighbors She started the Roscoe Village Neighbors Association (RVN). Colleen served as the RVN President between 1990-1994 and remained a board member for many years after.

WHEREAS, Colleen’s work with friends and neighbors continued to build the neighborhood, she was the creator and visionary behind new events to highlight the community including,

- ❖ The naming of “Roscoe Village”
- ❖ The Annual Retro on Roscoe Street Festival & Antique Car Show
- ❖ The Annual Roscoe Village Winterfest
- ❖ The Annual Roscoe Village Halloween Parade
- ❖ The Annual Lakeview Food Pantry Pub Crawl

WHEREAS, Colleen’s dedication and leadership over the last 40 years to keep the community prosperous and safe have made what Roscoe Village is today.

WHEREAS, although Colleen’s life was shortened as she passed away from cancer on September 19th, 2023; the incredible number of people from all over Chicago in attendance at her burial and memorial were a true testament of admiration and respect from all that knew her.

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this 1st Day of November 2023, express our deepest sorrow for all the family and friends of Colleen Flood but appreciate her life and legacy of friendship and community building; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Colleen Flood’s family as a sign of our appreciation..



Scott E. Waguespack
Alderman 32nd Ward