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CITY COUNCIL
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CITY of CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

Special Meeting—Wednesday, April 28, 1982

at 1:00 P.M.

(Council Chamber—City Hall—Chicago, Illinois)

OFFICIAL RECORD.

JANE M. BYRNE
Mayor

WALTER S. KOZUBOWSKI
City Clerk

Call to Order.

On Wednesday, April 28, 1982 at 1:00 P.M. (the day and hour appointed for the meeting), Honorable Jane M. Byrne, Mayor, called the City Council to order.

Dispensing of Roll Call.

By unanimous consent, the calling of the roll of members of the City Council was dispensed with.

Quorum present.

Call for the Meeting.

Daniel J. Burke, Deputy City Clerk, informed the City Council that the following call for the meeting was filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 26, 1982:

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF CHICAGO

April 26, 1982.

*Honorable Walter S. Kozubowski
City Clerk
Room 107, City Hall
Chicago, Illinois 60602*

DEAR MR. KOZUBOWSKI--I hereby call a special meeting of the City Council for the purpose of paying honor to the life and memory of His Eminence John Cardinal Cody, Archbishop of Chicago.

The meeting is to be held on Wednesday, April 28, 1982, at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber in the City Hall.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) JANE M. BYRNE,
Mayor.

Invocation.

The Very Reverend Timothy J. Lyne, Pastor, Holy Name Cathedral, opened the meeting with prayer.

Tribute to Late John Cardinal Cody.

Honorable Jane M. Byrne, Mayor, on behalf of herself and all the members of the City Council presented the following proposed resolution:

WHEREAS, His Eminence John Patrick Cardinal Cody was called to his eternal rest by Almighty God at the age of 74 on Sunday, April 25, 1982; and

WHEREAS, John Cardinal Cody's death is the cause of profound sorrow among the members of the Roman Catholic Church, the Archdiocese of Chicago, the citizens of Chicago and people of all faiths and creeds; and

WHEREAS, John Cardinal Cody's death deprives the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Chicago community of a strong and compassionate leader, a dedicated churchman and humanitarian whose life was lived in service to God and his fellow man; and

WHEREAS, John Cardinal Cody was born on December 24, 1907 in St. Louis, Missouri, to parents who immigrated to this country from rural Ireland; and

WHEREAS, John Cardinal Cody entered the seminary at age 12, thus beginning a long and fruitful study that culminated in doctoral degrees in philosophy, theology and canon law, and he also attended and served on the faculty of the prestigious North American College, in Rome; and

WHEREAS, John Cardinal Cody was ordained a priest in 1931, beginning then a career that would see more than 50 years of service to his God and his church and would include appointments to the staff of the Vatican secretariat of state in 1933; chancellor of the Archdiocese of St. Louis in 1940; auxiliary bishop of St. Louis in 1947; bishop of Kansas City-St. Joseph, Missouri in 1956; coadjutor of New Orleans in 1964; and archbishop of Chicago on August 24, 1965; and

WHEREAS, John Cardinal Cody, as archbishop of Chicago, had entrusted to him the guidance and care of the largest archdiocese in the United States, including some 2.4 million Catholics, 450 parishes and thousands of priests and nuns; and

WHEREAS, John Cardinal Cody brought with him to the Archdiocese of Chicago a deserved reputation as a far-seeing administrator, an energetic builder and a champion of human and social justice; and

WHEREAS, John Cardinal Cody's tenure as archbishop of Chicago was distinguished by countless accomplishments, among them the implementation of the reforms of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council; the establishment of the nation's largest permanent deacon program; the creation of insurance programs for lay employees and a retirement program for priests; the establishment of a unique program of assistance for financially distressed parishes; the direction of some \$40 million in funds to inner-city schools and parishes; the establishment of the Catholic Television Network; and the renovation of Holy Name Cathedral; and

WHEREAS, John Cardinal Cody consistently and generously addressed himself to the needs of Chicago's poor and disadvantaged, displaying sensitivity and courage and, by his example, encouraging the members of the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Chicago community in this regard; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That the Mayor and the Members of the City Council, in meeting assembled this 28th day of April, 1982, hereby acknowledge the many and lasting contributions of John Cardinal Cody to the Archdiocese of Chicago and the City of Chicago, and do express our deep sorrow at his death and our equally deep hope that his work will be continued; and

Be It Further Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved surviving members of John Cardinal Cody's family and to his flock our sincere condolences; and

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be presented to the Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Chicago as a measure of the sorrow and esteem expressed by the people of Chicago upon the death of John Cardinal Cody.

On motion of Alderman Frost (seconded by Aldermen Vrdolyak, Stone, Burke, Mell, Marcin and Pucinski) said proposed resolution was *Adopted*, unanimously, by a rising vote.

Alderman Vrdolyak and the seconding aldermen eulogized the late Cardinal for the leadership he had provided, not only to the Catholics of Chicago but to Chicagoans of all faiths by his promotion of ecumenicism and brotherhood. They also expressed appreciation for the late Cardinal's contribution to the spiritual and material welfare of all the people of the City and extended their regrets at the loss of an outstanding leader and humanitarian.

Tributes by Officials.

At this point in the proceedings, Honorable Jane M. Byrne, Mayor, introduced various distinguished members of the clergy, who spoke regarding their recollections of the late Cardinal and their sorrow at the passing of an outstanding religious and civic leader. Those who spoke were as follows:

Rabbi Ernst Lorge, Past President, Chicago Board of Rabbis;

Bishop Louis H. Ford, Church of God in Christ;

The Right Reverend Quintin E. Primo, Suffragan Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago;

Mr. Frank T. Mohr, Jr., Executive Director, Church Federation of Chicago;

Reverend John H. Reinke, S. J., Chancellor, Chancellor of Loyola University of Chicago;

The Very Reverend John R. Keating, Administrator of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

The remarks offered by the special, distinguished guests concluded with an Irish reading given by Shay Duffin, who presented a poem entitled *A Little Judgement Day*.

Mayor Byrne's Eulogy.

Honorable Jane M. Byrne, Mayor, thereupon addressed the Council and assembled guests to add her personal tribute to the late Cardinal's memory. She saluted the Cardinal as a humane man, concerned for the poor and disadvantaged, and courageous in the face of adversity. She also remarked that the City had lost a leader and friend, a man who conducted himself with strength and compassion. She then extended sympathy to the family and friends of the late Cardinal, stating he would always be remembered and honored as a Christian.

Rendition of "Ave Maria" by Franz Benteler and the "Royal Strings".

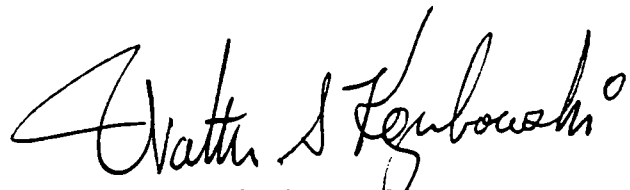
A beautiful rendition of Schubert's "Ave Maria" was presented by Franz Benteler and the "Royal Strings" and sung by Walter E. Carringer, as a tribute to the late Cardinal Cody.

Benediction.

The meeting was concluded by a benediction offered by Reverend Father John Koutoulas, Pastor, St. Andrews Greek Orthodox Church.

ADJOURNMENT.

Alderman Frost thereupon moved that the City Council do *Adjourn*. The motion *Prevailed*, and the City Council *Stood Adjourned*.



WALTER S. KOZUBOWSKI,
City Clerk.