

ILLINOIS JUDICIAL COUNCIL



A RESOLUTION IN LOVING MEMORY OF THE
HONORABLE EVERETTE ARNOLD BRADEN

WHEREAS the Illinois Judicial Council mourns the passing of the Honorable Everett Arnold Braden and expresses its deepest respect for his numerous contributions to the Illinois legal community;

WHEREAS Hon. Everett Arnold Braden, a native of Chicago, Illinois, was born on November 3, 1932. He was the son of Zedrick Thomas and Bernice (Beckwith) Braden;

WHEREAS Hon. Everett Braden earned a Bachelor of Science from Northwestern University in 1954, and a Juris Doctor from John Marshall Law School in 1961 followed by a LLB. He became a licensed attorney in the State of Illinois in 1969;

WHEREAS Hon. Everett Braden was employed as a trial attorney in the Office of the Cook County Public Defender from 1969 to 1976, and he subsequently served as a supervising attorney. He was appointed as an Associate Judge with the Circuit Court of Cook County Illinois in 1977 and was later appointed and served as Appellate Court Justice before his retirement after twenty three years of service as a judge;

WHEREAS Hon. Everett Braden was a leader; He was a co-founder and co-incorporator of the Illinois Judicial Council and served as chairperson in 1985 to 1986. He served as president of the John Marshall Law School Alumni Association; President of the Cook County Bar Association; President of the Illinois Judicial Foundation; Chairman Emeritus of the Illinois Judicial Council Foundation; board member of many other legal and non legal associations;

WHEREAS, during his legal career, Hon. Everett Braden has been recognized, awarded and honored for his contributions, including but not limited to, the Illinois Judicial Council's Lifetime Achievement Award, Cook County Bar Association's Hall of Fame; Illinois State Bar Association's Award of Merit; recipient of the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award;

BE IT RESOLVED, that Hon. Everett Arnold Braden's life was a life well lived and he shall be forever revered for his keen knowledge of the law, commitment to help families, equitable administration of justice, active engagement in legal organizations, and his dedication of more than 50 years to the legal profession;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Illinois Judicial Council extends its deepest gratitude and greatest appreciation and love for the contributions of its former Co-Founder, Co-Incorporator and Chairman, Hon. Everett Arnold Braden; and

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that as a lasting tribute to the memory of the Hon. Everett Arnold Braden this resolution will be entered into the permanent archives of the Illinois Judicial Council so that future generations can read it and be inspired by his example.

Adopted this 18th day of January, 2022 by the Illinois Judicial Council.

Bonita Coleman

Honorable Bonita Coleman,
President

/s/ H. Yvonne Coleman

Honorable H. Yvonne Coleman,
Secretary