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CITY OF CHICAGO UNVEILS VIRTUAL MEMORIAL TO CELEBRATE LIVES OF THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED FROM COVID-19

Residents can submit stories to the online memorial, "Chicago Remembers" to honor their loved ones' legacy

CHICAGO - Today the city unveiled a web-based, virtual memorial to remember and honor thousands of Chicagoans who have lost their lives to COVID-19. The virtual memorial will host submitted stories and photos of residents that will be publicly available for all to see.

"In light of the current situation, the way we mourn and celebrate one's life needs to be reimagined," said Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot. "The Virtual Memorial is just one way to help Chicagoans cope with the sudden loss of their loved one to COVID-19, but also to celebrate their lives and memories."

Residents are encouraged to share stories about their family, friends and neighbors through an online form that can be accessed at www.chicago.gov/covid19.