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Lincoln Obsequies.



1864

*A. Lincoln*







## In Common Council,

OCTOBER 19, 1865.

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**Whereas,** The late imposing ceremonies incident to the sudden death of our much beloved and martyred President of the United States, ABRAHAM LINCOLN, deserve conspicuous mention in the annals of fame, and should be duly chronicled and preserved in tangible form for future reference and for the information of after generations, although so little needing aught to remind the present sorrowing citizens of every incident relating to a nation's bereavement; and,

**Whereas,** It is befitting that there should be collated, in chronological and succinct form, a detailed account of the obsequies, which equal, if not surpass, aught that has ever been seen of a similar nature in the world; and inasmuch as the records of our City Government should be complete in recording every memorable incident in the history of our city; therefore, be it

**Resolved,** That twenty-five thousand copies of the full and detailed report of the Committee, having in charge the obsequies of our late lamented President of the United States, ABRAHAM LINCOLN, with full descriptions of every matter of interest in connection therewith, be printed and bound in neat and appropriate form, for the use of the City Government, and for placing in the public libraries.

**Resolved,** That the report herein designated be collated, printed, and bound under the direction and supervision of David T. Valentine, Esq., Clerk of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 13, 1865.

Adopted by the Board of Councilmen, May 23, 1865.

Board of Aldermen, June 5, 1865, received from his Honor the Mayor, with his objections thereto.

Board of Aldermen, June 29, 1865, taken up and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, two-thirds of all the members elected having voted therefor.

Board of Councilmen, October 19, 1865, taken up, and the above action of the Board of Aldermen concurred in, two-thirds of all the members elected having voted therefor; therefore, under the provisions of the Amended Charter, the same became adopted.



**Authorization of Committee.**

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The undersigned, appointed the Special Committee on the funeral obsequies of the late President, do hereby, in pursuance of directions embraced in the resolution, direct David T. Valentine, Esq., Clerk of the Common Council, to compile said obsequies as contemplated by said resolution

JOHN D. OTTIWELL,  
LEWIS R RYERS,  
JOSEPH SHANNON,  
W. H. GEDNEY,  
B. W. VAN VOORHIS,  
JAMES HAYES,  
JOHN HOUGHTALIN,  
CHARLES KOSTER,  
DAVID FITZGERALD,  
ISAAC ROBINSON.

} *Special  
Committee.*

DECEMBER 30, 1865.