



# City of Chicago



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## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Steven R. Nagel has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 67; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicago City Council has been informed of his passing by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

**WHEREAS**, A native of downstate Canton, Illinois, Steven R. Nagel was a retired NASA astronaut and the loving and devoted husband of Linda Godwin; and

**WHEREAS**, Steven R. Nagel was the much-adored father of Whitney and Lauren to whom he imparted many of the fine and noble qualities that he possessed in abundance; and

**WHEREAS**, Steven R. Nagel graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in aeronautical engineering and earned a master's degree in mechanical engineering from California State University of Fresno; and

**WHEREAS**, Steven R. Nagel was a test pilot for the United States Air Force before becoming an astronaut in 1979; and

**WHEREAS**, Steven R. Nagel flew four space shuttle missions for NASA; and

**WHEREAS**, Steven R. Nagel served as a mission specialist in 1985 aboard Discovery and later that year was the pilot aboard the Challenger; and

**WHEREAS**, Steven R. Nagel was the Commander of both an Atlantis flight in 1991 and a 10-day trip of Columbia in 1993; and

**WHEREAS**, Steven R. Nagel later served as Deputy Director and Deputy Chief in two offices at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, Steven R. Nagel retired as a Colonel in 2011 and joined the faculty of the University of Missouri where he was a highly distinguished member of the Mechanical Engineering Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Steven R. Nagel was a recipient of numerous awards, including the Air Force Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with seven Oak Leaf Cluster and four NASA Space Flight Medals; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Steven R. Nagel serve as an example to all; and

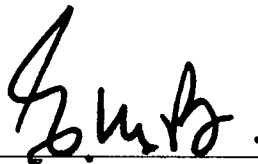
**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Steven R. Nagel to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

**WHEREAS,** Steven R. Nagel will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To his beloved family, Steven R. Nagel imparts a legacy of faithfulness, service and dignity; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this tenth day of September, 2014, do hereby commemorate Steven R. Nagel for his grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to his family; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Steven R. Nagel.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. M. B.", is written over a horizontal line.

**Alderman - 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**