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Title:	Congratulations extended to Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger Jr.
Committee(s) Assignment:	

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr., has announced his retirement as President of the Adler Planetarium in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of this event by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr., has served with honor and distinction as President of the Adler Planetarium since 1991; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr., was the eighth President of the institution since it opened in 1930 as America's first planetarium; and

WHEREAS, Before leading the Adler Planetarium, Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr., acted for eighteen years as Founding Director of the Science Museum of Virginia in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his esteemed tenure, Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr., led efforts to develop science and math exhibitions and create educational activities for elementary and secondary schools; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr., is a valued member of numerous science and education associations, including the American Astronomical Society and the International Planetarium Society; and

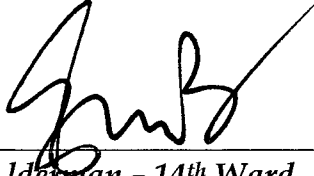
WHEREAS, Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr., worked on NASA's Space Science Advisory Committee and chaired its Education and Public Outreach Task Force; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr., holds a doctorate in astronomy from the University of Virginia and has taught astronomy at Georgia State University, University of Richmond, University of Virginia, and Virginia Commonwealth University; and

WHEREAS, The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr., serve as an example to all; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this fourteenth day of March, 2012, do hereby congratulate Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Paul H. Knappenberger, Jr.



Alderman - 14th Ward