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Congratulations extended to Chicago Park District on receipt

of gold medal at Bloom 2016 garden show

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, "Bridge the Gap," a garden designed by the Chicago Park District, has won a Gold Medal in Dublin at Bloom 2016, Ireland's largest garden show; and

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

WHEREAS, The garden, designed by Chicago Park District Deputy Director Matthew Barrett, consists of two large living structures that form two sides of a bridge without connecting; and

WHEREAS, One side of the bridge, representing the Irish Republic's capital, is blanketed with plant material indigenous to Ireland; and

WHEREAS, The other side of the bridge features plant material showcased in Chicago Park District conservatories; and

WHEREAS, Using two viewing sides to observe the structure at its cross section, visitors are able to peer across and notice patrons viewing from the other side; and

WHEREAS, The landscape, which spans 52-by-32 feet, will likely find a permanent home at a public place in Ireland; and

WHEREAS, In 2014 the Chicago Park District was awarded the National Gold Medal for Excellence in Park and Recreational Management presented by the American Academy for Park Recreational Administration in partnership with the National Recreational Park Association; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twenty-second day of June, 2016, do hereby congratulate the Chicago Park District on receiving this prestigious honor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Chicago Park District.

Alderman - 14th Ward