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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Chicago wishes to congratulate Michael F. Sturtevant, Deputy Commissioner of the City of Chicago's Department of Water Management (DWM) on the occasion of his retirement; and

WHEREAS, A Professional Engineer, Mr. Sturtevant began working for the City of Chicago in May 1994 as a Civil Engineer IV for the Department of Water Management. He was responsible for various tasks in the Planning and Operation Section, such as reviewing plans and documents from other City agencies to determine involvement with water facilities; and

WHEREAS, In May 1996, Mr. Sturtevant became a Water Conservation Engineer with DWM, where he monitored and evaluated the effects of ongoing water conservation initiatives and provided recommendations to the Department to improve efficiencies in water use; and

WHEREAS, After seven years as a Water Conservation Engineer, Mr. Sturtevant was promoted to Coordinating Engineer I at DWM in April 2003. His responsibilities in this position included managing the Planning and Operations Section of the Bureau of Engineering water section and he was responsible for the overall selection and planning of the Department's water capital improvement program; and

WHEREAS, In September 2009, in recognition of his exceptional service and valuable skills, Mr. Sturtevant was named the Acting Deputy Commissioner and later the Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Water Management. In this important position, Mr. Sturtevant was responsible for overall management of the Department's \$400 million water and \$200 million sewer capital budgets, including the bureau's \$7.5 million water and \$3.5 million sewer operating budgets. His responsibilities also included all aspects of planning, design and construction of all projects, management of all water and sewer inspections as well as overall planning and operations of the water distribution system and sewer collection system; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sturtevant is a well-respected Professional Engineer, not just in the City of Chicago but throughout the Country. He has been a distinguished member of water engineers known as the "dirty dozen," meeting with professional water engineers from around the Country twice a year to offer insights and share information; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sturtevant has been an integral member of the Department of Water Management's team responsible for the Mayor's Building a New Chicago Capital Program, which is one of the largest in the Nation. His role was vital in setting the processes in place to allow the department to accelerate its water and sewer main replacement program, facility improvements and pumping station upgrades and conversions. Mr. Sturtevant has worked tirelessly to ensure that this multi-billion dollar, decade-long program is on the road to a timely and successful completion; and

WHEREAS, Prior to working for the City of Chicago Department of Water Management, Mr. Sturtevant was a project manager at Pitometer Associates from June 1981 to May 1994. He was responsible for numerous hydraulic studies, and master plan studies conducted on water distribution systems throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sturtevant received his Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan in 1981. He became a

Professional Engineer in 1995 and is a member of the American Water Works Association, and the American Society of Civil Engineers; and

WHEREAS, In his leisure time, Mr. Sturtevant enjoys hiking, kayaking and cycling. He bikes to work most days throughout the year. Upon his retirement, he and his wife Diana plan to relocate to Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sturtevant will be missed greatly by his fellow employees of the Department of Water Management. Throughout his career he was a team player, well admired by those who had the good fortune of working with him; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this twenty-eighth day of May, 2014, do hereby honor Deputy Commissioner Michael F. Sturtevant of the Department of Water Management upon the occasion of his retirement from the City of Chicago after 20 years of distinguished and loyal service to the people of Chicago; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Michael F. Sturtevant as a token of our gratitude and esteem for his 20 years of public service.


Scott Waguespack
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