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Park District Superintendent

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RESOLUTION HONORING TIM MITCHELL

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago is recognized throughout the world for its well-earned motto of being the "City in a Garden;" and

WHEREAS, The Chicago Park District plays the indispensible role of being the steward of our City's open space and parklands. The Chicago Park District owns more than 8100 acres of green space and manages 580 parks, making it the largest municipal park manager in the nation; and

WHEREAS, In the year 1999, Tim Mitchell first met Phil Jones at a City Hall meet-the-mayor breakfast for Chicago Park Advisory Councils, and Mr. Mitchell came away impressed by Phil Jones' outstanding passion for Haas Park and the Logan Square Neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, In the year 2004, Tim Mitchell was appointed to become the Superintendent of the Chicago Park District; and

WHEREAS, Shortly after becoming Park District Superintendent, Tim Mitchell announced to Haas Park supporters that he had allocated \$1 million to help fund the expansion of the park. In the same year, he attended other Haas Park-related community events, such as the Rally for Haas Park; and

WHEREAS, In the year 2006, under Tim Mitchell's administration, the Chicago Park District partnered with the yearly Lollapalooza event to have proceeds benefit the Haas Park Project. In the same year, Chicago Park District officials also made possible the expansion of Haas Park by purchasing the property adjacent to the park for \$2.6 million; and

WHEREAS, In 2009, then-Superintendent Mitchell agreed to provide Chicago Park District matching funds to help fully fund the construction of the new Haas Park field house; and

WHEREAS, Through the many years of the Haas Park expansion and improvement process, Tim Mitchell proved to be a willing, committed and indispensible partner with Phil Jones, the Haas Park Advisory Council and the Logan Square community; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the City Council of the City of Chicago assembled here this 14th day of March, 2012 do hereby commend Mr. Tim Mitchell for his excellent work as Chicago Park Superintendent and for his many actions to support the Haas Park Advisory Council in its efforts to expand and improve Haas Park; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Tim Mitchell in thanks for his work on behalf of Haas Park and the Logan Square community.

Proco Joe Moreno Alderman, 1st Ward