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## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** Bill Stanley has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 58; and

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

**WHEREAS,** A resident of the Hyde Park community, Bill Stanley was a leading scientist at the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago; and

**WHEREAS,** Bill Stanley took annual trips to East Africa, especially Tanzania, where he earned an internationally renowned reputation for his research and the discovery of previously unknown species of small mammals; and

**WHEREAS,** A graduate of Humboldt State University in Arcata, California, Bill Stanley joined the Field Museum in 1989; and

**WHEREAS,** Bill Stanley served as the Field Museum's Director of Collections where he oversaw a vast collection of more than 25 million species; and

**WHEREAS,** During his highly successful career, Bill Stanley focused on areas including natural history, biogeography, taxonomy and the evolution of mammals; and

**WHEREAS,** An invaluable asset to the museum, Bill Stanley was known for his enthusiasm and warmth; and

**WHEREAS,** Bill Stanley published countless research papers and strived to improve historical accuracy in the scientific community; and

**WHEREAS,** The hard work, sacrifice and dedication of Bill Stanley serve as an example to all; and

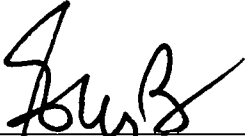
**WHEREAS,** His love of life and ability to live it to the fullest endeared Bill Stanley to his family members, friends and all who knew him, and enabled him to enrich their lives in ways they will never forget; and

**WHEREAS,** Bill Stanley was an individual of great integrity and accomplishment who will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by his many relatives, friends and admirers; and

**WHEREAS,** To his longtime domestic partner, Mary Anne Rogers, and his beloved family, Bill Stanley 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 fourteenth day of October 2015, do hereby commemorate Bill Stanley 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 Bill Stanley.

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