

RESOLUTION NO. 050644

Honoring Charles L. Raab on the occasion of his retirement for over 30 years of service to the citizens of Kansas City, Missouri and Kansas City's Water Services Department.

WHEREAS, Charles Raab began his employment with Kansas City on May 15, 1972, working in a co-op employment program as an Engineer Aide I in the Industrial Waste Division of the Pollution Control Department, and was promoted many times to increasingly demanding positions of responsibility within the Department most recently as Manager of both the Planning and Records Division and the Systems Engineering Division in the Water Services Department in April, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Charles is an active member of many professional associations providing leadership, teaching and technical expertise in those associations and recently receiving the 2004 Collection System Award from the Missouri Water Environment Association in recognition of outstanding and significant contributions in the area of wastewater collection on March 21, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Charles actively pursued grant funding and innovative financing opportunities for the Water Services Department and enjoyed a respected and effective relationship with many of the State agencies offering financing opportunities and was instrumental in acquiring grant and leveraged funds for many department projects and programs; and

WHEREAS, Charles is a devoted son, father and grandfather and much respected for his devotion and support of his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, his devotion to government service and his understanding, knowledge and expertise in the operation, collection maintenance, and planning needs of Kansas City's water-wastewater-stormwater utilities will be sorely missed upon his retirement; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and Council hereby extend to Mr. Charles L. Raab, on the occasion of his retirement from City service, the heartiest best wishes for his future, together with their most sincere appreciation for his 33 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Kansas City; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Council in testimony thereof, and that a copy hereof be presented to Charles L. Raab in token of their respect and high regard and their best wishes for a long and happy retirement which he so richly deserves.

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