

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-10-022R

**A RESOLUTION ALLOWING A MEMORIAL PLAQUE
TO THE MEMORY OF THE CHINESE GOOSE OF CRYSTAL LAKE PARK**

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana has long supported its natural public parks, nature habitats, and the conservation of wildlife, for the enjoyment and appreciation of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Crystal Lake Park was established by the City of Urbana as a city park where such enjoyment and interaction with nature might take place; and

WHEREAS, a Chinese Goose which had lived at Crystal Lake Park for eighteen years, and was considered an icon of the park, and had fathered or raised many families of goslings to maturity, and whose presence brought pleasure and joy to many park visitors, and was a favorite of adults and children visitors alike, has recently died; and

WHEREAS, a group of citizens who had long observed the Chinese Goose and enjoyed its year round habitation at Crystal Lake Park, have now come forward to petition the City to allow them to erect a commemorative plaque in memory of this feathered friend, at their own expense.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

1. That the City of Urbana agrees to allow the citizen committee petitioning the Council to commemorative the memory of the Chinese Goose by means of a bronze plaque, to be designed and approved by the City.

2. That the City of Urbana agrees to allow said plaque to be affixed to the side of the concrete bridge on Broadway Avenue at the East park entrance, near the pool most frequented by the goose, under direction of the City of Urbana Public Works Department.

3. That the City of Urbana resolves that, at the request of the petitioners, said bridge be known locally henceforth as "Chinese Goose Bridge".

PASSED by the City Council this _____ day of _____,
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Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this _____ day of _____,
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Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor