

Introduced by: Councilmember Grimes

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION 2012-1  
RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE – WALT RAVE

WHEREAS, Walt Rave passed away on December 10, 2011 as a result of injuries incurred during a fire at his home on December 7; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Rave was a long-time Takoma Park resident; and

WHEREAS, Walt Rave served as the City's Tool Librarian from January 5, 1988 until the Tool Library's closing in January 2007; and,

WHEREAS, as Tool Librarian, Mr. Rave shared his knowledge about tools and home repairs with residents who stopped in to borrow tools; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Rave was a Vietnam veteran who returned to the United States to promote nonviolence; and,

WHEREAS, Walt Rave was well-known in the community, primarily for his animal rights advocacy. He was often seen walking with a fox pelt in a steel trap as a way of making a statement about animal cruelty and promoting discussion about the issues; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Rave also fed and cared for many feral cats throughout Takoma Park; and

WHEREAS, he was beloved by many in Takoma Park for his kindness; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Rave's passing is a loss for the Takoma Park community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK expresses condolences to the friends of Walt Rave and the broader community that mourns his loss.

Adopted this 3rd day of January, 2012.

Attest:

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Jessie Carpenter, CMC  
City Clerk