RESOLUTION NO. 13-05

A Resolution of the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District Pertaining to Craig Piper

WHEREAS, Craig Piper began his career at the Denver Zoo in 1997 as Director of Education and Volunteer Services; and

WHEREAS, Craig Piper was promoted to the position of Denver Zoo Vice President of Planning and Capital Projects in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Craig Piper was named Chief Operating Officer of the Denver Zoo in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Craig Piper was named President and CEO of the Denver Zoo in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Craig Piper has overseen numerous projects and improvements at the Denver Zoo, increasing its national profile as well as offering exceptional programs and exhibits to the citizens of the Denver Metropolitan area and the state of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, through Craig Piper's generosity and leadership in 2009, the Denver Zoo hosted Polarpalooga, a celebration of 20 years of SCFD distributions to organizations, which hosted over 60 SCFD organizations providing free performances and programming on a free day at the Denver Zoo; and

WHEREAS, Craig Piper championed the concept and development of the recently opened 10-acre Toyota Elephant Passage, which is the only exhibit of its kind and scope in the world; and

WHEREAS, Craig Piper and the Denver Zoo have been critical partners and supporters during the 2004 SCFD reauthorization campaign; and

WHEREAS, Craig Piper's active involvement with VISIT DENVER, as co-chair of the Government Affairs Committee and Chairman of the Board, has served to elevate the profile and importance of the metropolitan scientific and cultural organizations; and

WHEREAS, Craig Piper has distinguished himself as a highly respected leader and advocate in the cultural community throughout his sixteen years with the Denver Zoo;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL FACILITIES DISTRICT, on behalf of its recipient organizations and the taxpayers of the metropolitan area, hereby expresses its sincere appreciation to Craig Piper and gratefully acknowledges his influence on the SCFD community for his advancement of the arts and sciences within the district and beyond.

Introduced and Approved at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District, the 23rd day of May, 2013.

Hathly Brahle ATTEST: Leggy Lehman Secretary VIII