Installation of Community Minister

The Rev. Dr. Vilius Rudra Dundzila At Second Unitarian Church, Chicago, Illinois Sunday, May 17, 2009

Parish Minister said the introduction and words of welcome. She summarized Rudra's service to the congregation over the past eight years.

President of Congregation:

The purpose of our Second Unitarian Church is to inspire you to develop your spiritual path and to live out your values in the world. We are a Unitarian Universalist community celebrating life, welcoming diversity and promoting spiritual growth and social responsibility. Our vision is to be a faith community that changes people's lives, changes our world, and grows Unitarian Universalism in the city of Chicago.

Community Ministry serves not a parish, but the ministry in the wider world. Each of us, in different ways, plays an active part in this larger ministry. Today, our congregation installs as our Community Minister someone who dedicates his energies to ministry beyond our congregational walls: the Reverend Rudra Vilius Dundzila.

As President of the Board of Trustees I now ask all the members of Second Unitarian Church to stand and join with me in covenanting with Rudra. You will find the words in the order of service.

Congregation: We pledge to support and encourage you in your teaching ministry. We

are grateful for your Pastoral ministry among us, and proud of the work

you do.

Community

Minister: I am grateful for your support and promise to serve faithfully as the

Community Minster of Second Unitarian Church, bringing our values into

the wider world.

Minister: Do you welcome the Rev. Dr. Vilius Rudra Dundzila as the Community

Minister of Second Unitarian Church?

Congregation: We do, with great rejoicing!

Right Hand of Fellowship

Prayer of Installation