

*Memorial Resolution*  
*The Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley*  
*May 1, 2018*

***TE Paul Brown Long, Sr.***  
*August 7, 1923 - January 29, 2018*

WHEREAS Almighty God in His wisdom and through His providential grace on Monday, January 29, 2018, elected to call home Paul Long, Sr. from his physical presence among us into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. was born on August 7, 1923, to George W. and Leonora Kennerly Brown in Southside, West Virginia; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. and Merry Dalton were united in marriage on June 10, 1949, in Wheaton, Illinois; and

WHEREAS Paul and Merry Long completed their family with five children: Paul, Jr., Elizabeth, Virginia, Stephen, and Charles; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. received and obeyed the call of God to serve Him in the gospel ministry; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. diligently prepared himself for the ministry by earning a BA degree from Wheaton College in 1950, a M.Div. from Columbia Theological Seminary in 1953, a Th.M. degree from Louisville Theological Seminary in 1957, and a Ph.D. from Fuller Theological Seminary in 1981 where he received the Hubbard Award as outstanding graduate that year; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. was ordained to the gospel ministry by the Kansas Presbytery (PCUS), June 1, 1953; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. served the Lord faithfully in the Kansas Presbytery (PCUS) and later in The Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley (PCA), October 19, 1982; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. served the Lord whole heartedly as a missionary in the Congo, Africa from 1953-1962, and in Brazil from 1962-1979, planting churches throughout the Amazon; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. authored *The Man in the Leather Hat* reflecting on his missionary experience in the Belgian Congo and Brazil; and

WHEREAS Paul Long Sr. authored *Citizen Soldiers of World War II, Pacific Theater of Operations* recounting his service with Merrill's Marauders in Burma during World War II; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. traveled to all parts of the globe serving as a mission strategy consultant for Europe, the Middle East, and Africa with the PCA; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. served the Lord as Professor of Missions at Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, 1981 - 1998; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. served presbytery as a member of the Mission to the World committee in the Class of 1992; and

WHEREAS Paul Long, Sr. was granted Honorable Retirement on June 16, 1998 after forty five years of active ministry in Christ's church; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley give praise to our gracious Lord for the life and faithful service of our co-laborer TE Paul B. Long, Sr., for his zealous ministry to reach the nations of the world for Christ;

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this memorial resolution be communicated to Dr. Long's family and recorded in the minutes of this Stated Meeting of May 1, 2018 as a permanent memorial to our Lord's great goodness for which He is ever to be praised.

Adopted by The Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley on May 1, 2018 meeting at Bailey Presbyterian Church, Bailey, Mississippi.

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Roger G. Collins, Stated Clerk