**DALEY RESIGNS**

**6:00 PM NEWS**

**NICK FOX**

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FOX: William Daley stepped down as chief of staff for President

Obama today, ending his short and rocky tenure at the White

House. Daley said desire to get back to his family in Chicago

was the primary reason for resigning. But there had been

grumblings that he was not the right man to handle the intense

responsibilities that came with his job. President Obama said he

approved of Daley’s work and offered this defense for his former

chief of staff: [:38]

OBAMA…RUNS: 12 OUT: DECISION WAS DIFFICULT FOR ME.

FOX: Deputy Secretary of State Jack Lew will be Daley’s

replacement. In St. Louis, I’m Nick Fox, W-S-I-E News. [:10]