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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Charles Klepac
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60637

Q2

**Cook County Board of Commissioners Meeting
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21-0597

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Honorable Board,

I submit my support for file ID 21-0597, the ordinance of reading a Land Acknowledgement at Cook County Board meetings. This ordinance is important as it illustrates that the County is prioritizing truth and education about this Nation's colonization, genocide, and oppression of the Indigenous Peoples of what is called the Americas. By acknowledging this land is not the Indigenous home of the United States, we begin the path toward understanding this Land's history. I urge you to please begin this path to truth and potential healing by making file 21-0597 a Cook County Ordinance.

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Molly Greening
Organization (if any): Loyola University Chicago
City/Town: Skokie
State: IL
ZIP: 60077

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I am writing in support of including Land Acknowledgments and replacing Columbus Day with Indigenous People's Day. These are small but important steps that the Cook County Board could take to address the violent legacies of colonialism and work toward more accountability in the future.

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	Monica Rickert-Bolter
Organization (if any):	Center for Native Futures
City/Town:	Chicago
State:	IL
ZIP:	60626

Q2

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Aanii, my name is Monica Rickert-Bolter. I am a citizen of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and the Director of Operations at the Center for Native Futures, a contemporary Native art gallery. Nearly 20 years ago, I left Michigan and have been a resident of Zhegagoynak (Chicago). I fell in love with this city right away, but over the years I recognize its limitations and underlying biases.

Non-white narratives are overshadowed and barely acknowledged in the history of this city. Native people are villainized and misrepresented throughout city's public sculptures and within its historical architecture. Chicago and Cook County need to do better, and some folks are making that change.

Everyday, I see people show love through their efforts to make this city more inclusive and equitable. Every year, I see more cities and states acknowledge Indigenous Peoples Day, including my conservative-leaning hometown and state. Every campaign, I've supported IPDIL's cause and will continue to advocate for this replacement.

Native people are still here and equally love this area. Honor and celebrate the original caretakers of this land. Help make this a better place to live by recognizing Indigenous Peoples Day. Chi megwetch!

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Witness Name: Katherine Wood
City/Town: Park Ridge
State: IL
ZIP: 60068

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Witness Name: Mariza Noyama-Zee
City/Town: Salem
State: OR
ZIP: 97301

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Please consider yourself in a position of power to represent the desire of many people in this country who want to better understand the racially violent, entitled, and aggressive beliefs and policies that shaped the country we now call home. We must be able to awaken to the roots of our country if we hope to save it and bring it powerfully into a new era of justice, freedom, and equity. These wrong-doings and distorted beliefs still express themselves in our society on a daily basis and so our greatest tool is awareness of where we came from, and why. Changing Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day is one step in many that we will need to make to walk ourselves towards truth and societal redemption. By voting against this change you would be stating that the mass genocide and twisted beliefs around racial superiority that shaped our foundation were correct and should persist.

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Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Jacquelyn Zeng
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60626

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In order to begin making amends to the Native tribes whose land we live on, we need to stop honoring Columbus as we celebrate Indigenous peoples. Cancel Columbus Day and replace it completely with Indigenous Peoples Day.

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Witness Name: Grace Burns
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60625

Q2

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I am in favor of these motions because I believe that it is important to cast a more accurate light on the origins of this country, and to no longer glorify the colonization and hurt of Indigenous peoples at the hands of European settlers. Reframing the way we discuss our history is vital and acknowledging the past is an important step in strengthening the relationship between Indigenous constituents and their allies.

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Q1

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Witness Name: Jodie Eason
City/Town: Evanston
State: IL
ZIP: 60202

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Please do the right thing for equity and justice by passing #21-0565, and having Indigenous Peoples' Day replace Columbus Day. Exaltation of a colonizer does not unite us. People of his time recognized that Columbus was problematic; there is no reason for us to celebrate him.

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Witness Name: Sidney Borgetti
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60608

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Q1

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Witness Name: Jo Ann Flores-Deter
Organization (if any): Communities In Schools of Chicago
City/Town: Evanston
State: IL
ZIP: 60201

Q2

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Thinking of Dr. King this month, in 1963 he wrote: "Our nation was born in genocide when it embraced the doctrine that the original American, the Indian, was an inferior race. Even before there were large numbers of Negroes on our shores, the scar of racial hatred had already disfigured colonial society. From the sixteenth century forward, blood flowed in battles of racial supremacy. We are perhaps the only nation which tried as a matter of national policy to wipe out its Indigenous population. Moreover, we elevated that tragic experience into a noble crusade. Indeed, even today we have not permitted ourselves to reject or feel remorse for this shameful episode. Our literature, our films, our drama, our folklore all exalt it."

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Witness Name: Bonnie Richardson
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60660

Q2

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Land acknowledgements are literally the least that can be done to express understanding that this land was stolen from its rightful guardians.

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Maria Acosta
Organization (if any): Illinois Poor People's Campaign
City/Town: CHICAGO
State: IL
ZIP: 60609

Q2

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The quote rarely used when speaking about MLK Jr is the following which he wrote in 1963: "Our nation was born in genocide when it embraced the doctrine that the original American, the Indian, was an inferior race. Even before there were large numbers of Negroes on our shores, the scar of racial hatred had already disfigured colonial society. From the sixteenth century forward, blood flowed in battles of racial supremacy. We are perhaps the only nation which tried as a matter of national policy to wipe out its Indigenous population. Moreover, we elevated that tragic experience into a noble crusade. Indeed, even today we have not permitted ourselves to reject or feel remorse for this shameful episode. Our literature, our films, our drama, our folklore all exalt it." MLK Jr. is now regarded with such love, but he was a villain at the time. For his courage he is remembered valiantly. Passing #21-0565, having Indigenous Peoples' Day replace Columbus Day, and #21-0597 to have Cook County read a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board Meetings, which the Cook County Forest Preserve Meetings have already done, is the example of the type of reckoning we all need. This is about righting a wrong. Acknowledging what was done in order to have what we currently enjoy. This won't stop the white rage, the racial supremacy weaved into us by our families and this society. My Italian brothers and sisters were bamboozled out of their ethnicity to align with power. They are a product of the othering that is fundamental to oppression and subjugation. 1937 was when Columbus Day was recognized annually due to a push by the Knights of Columbus. Columbus at the time was seen as a hero, he is no longer that because the truth of what his mission was and then what he decided to do when he got lost. He colonized people and claimed discovery. He saw people that didn't look like him, spoke a different language, and saw them as having no meaning including to the God of which he supposedly was claiming. I'm a practicing Catholic and many things the Catholic church has stood for and continues to do is deplorable. I do understand that it's the humans and not the God I believe in. The God I believe in reminds me to love and care, not to hurt and harm. The financial issue faced by my Freedmen brothers and sisters can not be addressed without full recognition of what was done in order for tribes to do what they did. It is all interconnected. I ask that the Cook County Board be the example. Italians in Cook County have Enrico Fermi (self-sustaining nuclear reaction), the Italian Beef, and the radio flyer red wagon maker Antonio Pasin. Whatever any 'group' wants to say about how 'they' were treated, our Indigenous brothers and sisters were the guinea pigs. It was perfected on the enslaved. Italians fleeing fascism were immigrants. The Indigenous were here before all of it and the lie of Columbus finding anything, other than finding himself lost, should be put to rest. Thank you.

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	Michelle Zurita-Sharpe
Organization (if any):	Self
City/Town:	Worth
State:	IL
ZIP:	60482

Q2

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Q3

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

Q4

What do you want to do?

REGISTER IN FAVOR of a specific item (You may add written comments below)

Q5

Written Statement? You can type or copy/paste any written statement you want included in the meeting record here. If this is not enough space, or you have other attachments for distribution, please email them to cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov

Our nation is born from land that was not originally ours. PLEASE do the RIGHT thing for equity and justice by passing #21-0565, having Indigenous Peoples' Day replace Columbus Day, and #21-0597 to have Cook County read a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board Meetings, as has already been done at Cook County Forest Preserve Meetings. It is a minimum gesture to show respect and appreciation for the land we now occupy.

Q6

Submitting written testimony only

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Q7

Respondent skipped this question

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#14

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Eric Leonardson
Organization (if any): Midwest Society for Acoustic Ecology
City/Town: CHICAGO
State: IL
ZIP: 60626

Q2

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Q3

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

Q4

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Q5

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Q6

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Q7

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Email Address	eleona@saic.edu
Phone Number	7733425012

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Anisa Mian
State: IL
ZIP: 60091

Q2

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

Q4

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Q6

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Q7

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Adelia Brienzo
Organization (if any): Illinois Resource Center
City/Town: Palos Heights
State: IL
ZIP: 60463

Q2

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Q3

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File #21-0565 and File #21-059

Q4

What do you want to do?

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Q5

Written Statement? You can type or copy/paste any written statement you want included in the meeting record here. If this is not enough space, or you have other attachments for distribution, please email them to cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov

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Q6

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Q7

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Jason Evans
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60637

Q2

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Q3

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

Q4

REGISTER IN FAVOR of a specific item (You may add written comments below)

What do you want to do?

Q5

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Thank you!

Q6

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Q7

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Andy Daglas
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60614

Q2

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Q3

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

Q4

REGISTER IN FAVOR of a specific item (You may add written comments below)

What do you want to do?

Q5

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I urge the Cook County board to act for equity and justice by passing #21-0565, to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day; and #21-0597, to have Cook County read a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board Meetings, as has already been done at Cook County Forest Preserve Meetings.

Columbus Day is based on a racist myth that honors a genocidal tyrant who perpetrated unspeakable crimes against humanity -- even by the standards of the 15th/16th centuries -- and who contributed nothing to the foundation of the United States nor to the cultivation of anything worth celebrating in our culture. The vocal support of a few people who trace their ancestry to the same peninsula as this awful man, besides being utterly illogical, cannot outweigh the real and ongoing harms done to Indigenous people and other people of color in Cook County by commemorating Columbus's legacy of racism, slavery, and mass slaughter.

Q6

Submitting written testimony only

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Q7

Respondent skipped this question

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	Kara Wagner Sherer
Organization (if any):	St. John's Episcopal Church
City/Town:	Chicago
State:	IL
ZIP:	60641

Q2

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Q3

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

Q4

What do you want to do?

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Q5

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This is the beginning of our need to redress the wrongs of the past committed in part by Christian churches.

Q6

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Q7

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Email Address	karawagnersherer@gmail.com
Phone Number	7736853148

#20

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Linda Keane
Organization (if any): SAIC
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60603

Q2

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#21-0597

Q4

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Q5

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I support that land acknowledgment of Indigenous people should be shared aloud.

Q6

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Q7

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Email Address

Ikeane@ARTIC.edu

Phone Number

414 332 4381

#21

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Matthew Brandon
Organization (if any): Communities Organized to Win
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60637

Q2

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21-0565 & 21-0597

Q4

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Q5

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Understanding the misery and inhumanity suffered by African slaves is not possible without acknowledging the complete eradication of indigenous realities. As a Black man in America today it is both my duty, and my honor to stand with my Brothers and Sisters of Native American heritage in pursuit of justice. It is also an opportunity to apologize for any role played by Black men in the "Indian Wars" that my ancestors were a part of. Please forgive us.

Q6

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Q7

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Email Address

excopmb73@gmail.com

Phone Number

7739495178

#22

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	Michelle Sevig
Organization (if any):	Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
City/Town:	Chicago
State:	IL
ZIP:	60613

Q2

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

Q4

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Q5

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Q6

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Q7

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#23

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	Kareena Machunas
Organization (if any):	self
City/Town:	Chicago
State:	IL
ZIP:	60641

Q2

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Q6

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Q7

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Michael Rabbitt
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60646

Q2

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

Q4

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Q5

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Cook County must acknowledge that America's Native peoples were systematically removed in order to provide the foundation on which our county was built. We must address our legacy of violence in order to support our county's vibrant Native communities. Indigenous Peoples' Day will be a formal opportunity to celebrate Indigenous cultures and recognizing the vital contributions of Cook County's first peoples. We should also recognize that this is a growing national movement, since 1992, in which 13 states, 6 counties, over 135 cities/towns, a dozen universities and school districts, including the Chicago Public Schools, Evanston, Oak Park, Niles Township, and more in Illinois have already made this change. Over 72 million people around the country live in states, cities and counties that recognize Indigenous People's Day. In Cook County, over 7,000 people have signed the petition in support, and many dozens of organizations which represent many thousands of constituents. It's time for Cook County to join the movement! Let's achieve equity and justice by passing #21-0565, having Indigenous Peoples' Day replace Columbus Day, and #21-0597 to have Cook County read a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board Meetings.

Q6

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Q7

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	Susan Balaban
City/Town:	Wilmette
State:	IL
ZIP:	60091

Q2

Tell us which meeting you wish to be recorded as a witness. If you don't know the meeting or date, we can help at 312.603.6398 or cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov. You can also look up using the County Calendar or the Forest Preserve Calendar. Please fill out a separate form for each meeting at which you wish to speak.

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Q3

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

Q4

What do you want to do?

REGISTER IN FAVOR of a specific item (You may add written comments below)

Q5

Written Statement? You can type or copy/paste any written statement you want included in the meeting record here. If this is not enough space, or you have other attachments for distribution, please email them to cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov

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Q6

Submitting written testimony only

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Q7

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Email Address	snabalab@sbcglobal.net
Phone Number	7732517154

#26

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	Matti Allison
Organization (if any):	United
City/Town:	CHICAGO
State:	IL
ZIP:	60660

Q2

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I live in Chicago, on the traditional homelands of the Council of the Three Fires: the Ojibwe, Odawa and Potawatomi Nations. I am writing in support of File #21-0565 and File #21-0597. Thank you, I look forward to celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day together in 2023.

Q6

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Email Address

mattiallison@hotmail.com

Phone Number

7736125346

#27

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Alenka Figa
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60640

Q2

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Linda Hamburg
Organization (if any): Lakeview Presbyterian Church
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60657

Q2

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21-0565
21-0597

Q4

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PROVIDE WRITTEN COMMENT FOR INFORMATION ONLY (You may add written comments below)

Q5

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Please do the right thing for Indigenous peoples and vote in favor of changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day. I am representing the Social Justice Committee at Lakeview Presbyterian Church on the corner of Broadway and Addison

Q6

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Q7

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Paul Marcinkowski
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60613

Q2

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

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Q6

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Q7

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Tammy Georgiou
City/Town: Palos Hills
State: IL
ZIP: 60465

Q2

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21-0565, 21-0597

Q4

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Q5

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Q6

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Q7

Respondent skipped this question

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Deirdre Harrison
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 69626

Q2

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Q3

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Indigenous Peoples' Day replacing Columbus Day (File #21-0565)
 A reading of a Land Acknowledgement at Cook County Board Meetings (File #21-0597)

Q4

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Q5

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This is the honest and respectful thing to do on behalf of all of us.

Q6

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Q7

Respondent skipped this question

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#32

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: **Kristin Oberdorf**

Q2

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

Q4

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What do you want to do?

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Let's leave a legacy of a more equal and just society for our children, and acknowledge the important past. To respect our fellow citizens, PLEASE do the RIGHT thing for equity and justice by passing #21-0565, having Indigenous Peoples' Day replace Columbus Day, and #21-0597 to have Cook County read a Land Acknowledgement at monthly Board Meetings, as has already been done at Cook County Forest Preserve Meetings.

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Q7

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Laura Fairbank
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60647

Q2

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File #21-0565 and File #21-0597

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Q6

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Rebecca Severson
City/Town: Evanston
State: IL
ZIP: 60202

Q2

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21-0565 and 21-0597

Q4

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Be a leader, for the state, for the country, and help us toward equity. Words matter-they push us forward so rename Columbus day and do a land acknowledgment. Lead!! That's why we elected you.

Q6

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Q7

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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: Abby Greaney
City/Town: Chicago
State: IL
ZIP: 60660

Q2

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Q6

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#36

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Time Spent: 00:04:35
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Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	Treasa Howard
City/Town:	Plainfield
State:	IL
ZIP:	60586

Q2

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