

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

Consent Agenda

Thursday, April 7, 2022, 10:00 AM

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Sponsored by: BRIDGET DEGNEN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION HONORING DINKEL'S BAKERY 101 YEARS OF BUSINESS

WHEREAS, Dinkel's Bakery and Cafe, located at 3329 North Lincoln Ave. is closing for business on April 30, 2022 after almost 101 years and four (4) generations of ownership; and

WHEREAS, in 1922, after immigrating to Chicago from Bavaria, Germany, Joseph Dinkel opened Dinkel's Bakery and Café at 3312 N Lincoln Ave. along with his wife, Antonie Dinkel; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Dinkel descended from a long line of master bakers. In the early years of the bakery, Joseph baked all the products while his wife, Antonie, handled the selling; and

WHEREAS, in 1926, Joseph and Antonie expanded the bakery to its current location, and enlisted the help of their son, Norman Dinkel, Sr. to operate the business and take over as owner; and

WHEREAS, Dinkel's Bakery and Cafe welcomed its third generation of Dinkel family ownership when Norman Dinkel Jr. took over the business. He remains the current owner with the help of Luke Karl and his wife Sandgren, the 4th generation of the Dinkel family; and

WHEREAS, in the 1980s, Dinkel's began a thriving mail-order business with its stollen and strudels, and in 2013, it began selling bread and sandwiches, while beginning to sell pastries wholesale to local supermarkets; and

WHEREAS, Dinkel's has also been a longtime member of the Bakers Dozen, a secret society of leaders from the oldest family-owner bakeries in and around Chicago. The group gives feedback on recipes, ordering systems and equipment, helping bakeries continue to thrive in their local communities; and

WHEREAS, Dinkel's Bakery is a part of Chicago's northside history as one of the few remaining stores left from the Lincoln-Belmont-Ashland shopping district. In the mid-20th century, the District was one of the largest shopping districts outside of the Loop, and many of its businesses were founded by German immigrants. Dinkel's honors the historic businesses from the local shopping district by naming sandwiches in their café after iconic business such as Wieboldt's and Goldblatt's Department stores; and

WHEREAS, Dinkel's Bakery has remained a popular bakery for generations of families. It's known for its Dinkel's World Famous Stollen, other breads, cakes, pies, and donuts. They are also known for paczkis, which they sold 6 days leading up to Fat Tuesday. This year, they sold over 30,000 paczkis on Fat Tuesday; and

WHEREAS, Dinkel's has been part of family traditions for generations providing baked goods for weddings, baptisms, and confirmations. Members of the community have fond memories of visiting the bakery on weekend mornings with grandparents and great grandparents, creating family traditions; and

WHEREAS, Dinkel's survived World War II, the Depression, financial turmoil, social upheaval and a public health crisis while continuing to be a revered neighborhood institution; and

WHEREAS, Dinkel's announced its impending closure on April 5, 2022, and saw customers visit the bakery, lining up out of the door in reaction to the news, demonstrating the popularity and love of this local historic bakery; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby honor and celebrate Dinkel's Bakery and Café on their 101 years of business; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be shared in the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered to Norman Dinkel Jr. and Dinkel's Bakery and Café.

22-2823

Sponsored by: SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, BRIDGET GAINER, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, KEVIN B. MORRISON, PETER N. SILVESTRI and LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AGAINST THE RISE IN ANTI-SEMITISM AND IN SUPPORT OF COOK COUNTY'S JEWISH POPULATION

WHEREAS, a documented disturbing rise in anti-Semitic events targeting the Jewish population has surged throughout the United States, and significantly in Cook County; and

WHEREAS, according to the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) annual audit of anti-Semitic incidents, there were 1,879 recorded attacks against Jews and Jewish institutions across the country in 2018, which increased to 2,024 recorded antisemitic incidents in 2020. In Illinois, residents saw a 350% increase in anti-Semitic incidents between 2016 and 2020; and

WHEREAS, according to the FBI, anti-Jewish bias accounted for 57% of religiously motivated hate crimes in 2020, even though Jews only account for less than 2% of the U.S. population. Despite the Covid-19 pandemic and community lock-down, this percentage is up from 2015 when 51.3% of religiously motivated hate crime offenses targeted Jews or Jewish institutions; and

WHEREAS, anti-Semitic propaganda and hate crimes are meant to stoke hatred of Jews among non-Jews and cause Jewish residents to feel they are unwelcome and unsafe in the community; and

WHEREAS, in the first three months of 2022, Jewish communities have faced incidents of leaflet drops, vandalism, broken glass, presence of swastikas, verbal attacks, and physical assaults, which are meant to instill psychological distress, fear, and anxiety; and

WHEREAS, Chicago's Orthodox Jewish community in West Rogers Park was targeted with eight known incidents of hate from January 13 through February 1, 2022. These are days surrounding International Holocaust Remembrance Day on January 27, which triggered associations of Kristallnacht ("the Night of Broken Glass") for Holocaust survivors and their descendants, where the Nazi's anti-Semitic policies turned exceptionally violent. These incidents included:

- On January 13, 2022, a man approached Orthodox Jewish middle school students and a teacher outside of the Yeshivas Tiferes Tzvi school and screamed "all of you should be killed" as he passed by; and
- On January 29, 2022, during Shabbat, a man smashed the window of the Kol Tuv Kosher Foods store and shattered the front door of the Tel Aviv Kosher Bakery next door; the non-Jewish stores on the block were not touched; and
- On January 30, 2022, yellow swastikas were spray-painted on the Hanna Sacks Bais Yaakov all-female high school and the Friends of Refugees of Eastern Europe or F.R.E.E. Synagogue, a synagogue that has supported Ukrainian and Russian Jewish refugees since 1973; and
- On January 30, 2022, an Orthodox Jewish man was physically assaulted near the F.R.E.E. Synagogue by a man who hurled racial slurs at him; and
- On February 1, 2022, three men in a van verbally threatened a man in the Bnei Ruven synagogue parking lot and later smashed his and other congregants' car windows; and
- From January 29 to February 1, 2022, Congregation K.I.N.S. of West Rogers Park and the all-male Orthodox Jewish high school Yeshivas Meor Ha Torah were also vandalized; and

WHEREAS, in March 2022, anti-Semitic flyers were found in plastic bags containing rocks, beans, or rice, and were left in Cook County residents' front yards and in public parks in Niles, Park Ridge, Glenview, Skokie, and Arlington Heights, Illinois. These flyers contained anti-Semitic tropes that Jews control the world and allege that the "Covid Agenda," Biden Administration, and the war in Ukraine, are part of a Jewish global conspiracy. The flyers list names of people in the Government believed to be Jewish and include photos and images of the Israeli flag next to many of the names. Some of the flyers also allege that Jews control the North Shore, Cook County Sheriff's Police, and Cook County government officials; and

WHEREAS, anti-Semitic hate crimes have been documented across Illinois, including:

- On March 18, 2022, a bomb threat was made to the North Suburban Beth El Synagogue in Highland Park; and
- Threats to Jewish Day Care facilities in and around Skokie, Illinois; and
- Anti-Semitic and white-supremacy propaganda was distributed at Eastern Illinois University,

University of Illinois-Urbana, and Lake Land College; and

WHEREAS, incidents of anti-Jewish hate and violence have occurred across the United States, with events in the first three months this year including:

- On January 15, 2022, congregants and a rabbi who were peacefully praying at a synagogue during Shabbat in Colleyville, Texas were held hostage for ten hours by a terrorist attempting to free another terrorist from federal prison, causing panic for Jewish worshippers' safety nationwide; and
- On January 30, 2022, a neo-Nazi group held a rally in Orlando where people wore Nazi-gear, waved swastika flags, shouted "Heil Hitler" and claimed that "Jews rape children and drink their blood;" and
- Dozens of incidents of swastikas found in public areas including for example: a Middle School play
 area in Alaska, to a post office bathroom in New York, an elementary school in Oregon, a college
 residential hall in Massachusetts, a park in Iowa, a mural in Arkansas, and a cemetery in
 Pennsylvania; and
- Since the beginning of March, there have been at least 18 reported bomb threats directed against synagogues and Jewish Community Centers (JCCs) across the United States; and
- Flyers reminiscent of Nazi-style propaganda have been littered in as many as 19 states throughout the United States including: Oregon, California, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Wisconsin, North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, New York, and Maryland; and

WHEREAS, while there is more work to be done, Cook County works to prevent, intervene, and investigate Hate Crimes. The Commission on Human Rights and Ethics participates in the Interagency Hate Crime Coalition. The Cook County Sheriff's Office regularly dedicates resources in the form of patrol cars, officers, and public education to protect all residents from hate crimes, including specifically dedicating officers to protect synagogues when they are threatened; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Cook County Board of Commissioners strongly condemn the hateful acts made against those of the Jewish faith and their institutions and affirm that all people deserve the right to be secure and respected; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Cook County Board of Commissioners encourage schools across the County to take comprehensive advantage of the Holocaust and Genocide Study requirement by the State of Illinois Act Concerning Schools (HB0312); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the Cook County Sheriff are dedicated to protecting all residents of the County from hate crimes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Cook County Board of Commissioners commits to working to reverse the profound ignorance displayed in these acts of hate and ensure the County embraces and supports diverse, inclusive, and equitable communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Cook County Board of Commissioners encourage all residents of Cook County to unite in opposition to anti-Semitic hate and instead spread peace and love.

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Sponsored by: DONNA MILLER, LARRY SUFFREDIN, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), FRANK J. AGUILAR, ALMA E. ANAYA, LUIS ARROYO JR, SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET DEGNEN, BRIDGET GAINER, BRANDON JOHNSON, BILL LOWRY, STANLEY MOORE, KEVIN B. MORRISON, SEAN M. MORRISON, PETER N. SILVESTRI and DEBORAH SIMS, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING THE NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S FENCING TEAM

TOP-TEN TEAM FINISH AT THE 2022 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

WHEREAS, Northwestern Fencing concluded the 2022 season in March with a top-ten team finish at the NCAA Championships in South Bend, Indiana. The Wildcats were led by Honorable Mention All-American Sky Miller, Commissioner Donna Miller's niece, who wrapped up her sophomore season with a ninth-place individual finish at the NCAA Championships. Joining Miller on the national stage were graduate student Sarah Filby and first-year Hanna Lipthay. Northwestern's 2022 season included a runner-up finish in the Central Collegiate Fencing Conference and a victory over the number one team in the country, Notre Dame, at the DeCicco Duals in South Bend; and

WHEREAS, earlier in the season, Northwestern University hosted the NCAA Fencing Conference Championships for the first time in more than thirty years. The Wildcats welcomed teams from across the Midwest - Lawrence, Wayne State, Ohio State, Denison and Cleveland State: and

WHEREAS, Miller entered the NCAA Championships as the 20-seed in the 24-fencer sabre competition. Twelve victories in pool bouts helped the sophomore secure a top-ten individual finish on the biggest stage in college fencing. Along the way, Miller defeated six Ivy League fencers and continued to prove herself one of the top sabrists in the country. *Sarah Filby* and *Hanna Lipthay*, representing Northwestern in the foil and epee, finished 13th and 18th respectively; and

WHEREAS, Miller now has a pair of top-ten NCAA individual finishes to her name, including as the national runner-up at the NCAA Championships in 2021. A native of Durham, North Carolina, Miller is a two-time All-American who also helped lead Northwestern to their best team result in school history, a third-place finish at the NCAA Championships a season ago.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County, celebrates the accomplishments of the 2022 Northwestern University Women's Fencing Team and team members Sky Miller, Sarah Filby and Hanna Lipthay; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of same be tendered to Northwestern University, Northwestern Fencing Coach Zach Moss, and to the team members.