



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

EXTENSION 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, University of Illinois Extension was founded under authority granted by Congress with passage of the historic Smith-Lever Act of 1914, legislation that created a nationwide system of Cooperative Extension for community based education by land grant universities; and

WHEREAS, from those humble beginnings inspired by the vision of its founders, University of Illinois Extension has remained true to its mission of emphasizing education, community awareness, and working cooperatively to make our state a more healthy, prosperous, and beautiful place to live; and

WHEREAS, over the course of its many decades of successful service as an organization, University of Illinois Extension has remained true to its slogan “Extending Knowledge, Changing Lives”; and

WHEREAS, Centennial Anniversary of the historic signing of the Smith-Lever Act will be duly commemorated by the Cook County Offices of the University of Illinois Extension on May 14, 2014, and

WHEREAS, University of Illinois Extension has been instrumental in reaching out to all 102 counties in the State of Illinois, and the County of Cook in particular is grateful for the fine and continuing work of the main county offices in Chicago, and branch offices in Matteson, Rolling Meadows, Westchester, and Lemont; and

WHEREAS, over the years and throughout many changes, University of Illinois Extension has proven itself as a highly respected and effective community outreach institution, dedicated to its principles, faithful to its vision, and greatly valued for its positive impact on the State of Illinois.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County does hereby offer due tribute to the staff and volunteers of University of Illinois Extension on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary Celebration, and tenders this expression of gratitude to its academic partners for their generous support of the ongoing work of University of Illinois Extension; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this text be spread upon the Official Proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of same be tendered to Willene Buffett, Cook County Director for the University of Illinois Extension, in commemoration of this occasion and in grateful acknowledgment of the important and continuing work by University of Illinois Extension in their effort to bring educational resources to all segments of the community.