



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING THE CHICAGO MINORITY SUPPLIER DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, INC.'S 47TH ANNUAL CHICAGO BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY FAIR

WHEREAS, The Chicago Minority Supplier Development Council, Inc. (ChicagoMSDC) is a premier organization for increasing business opportunities between major buying organizations and minority-owned businesses; and

WHEREAS, ChicagoMSDC was founded on two fundamental principles: *Partnership* among minority business, corporate America and government, and *Fairness* in the marketplace for all; and

WHEREAS, ChicagoMSDC's programs and resources are avenues for minority entrepreneurs to increase sales to private and public sector buying organizations. To the buyer, ChicagoMSDC serves as a credible resource for locating qualified minority suppliers. To both the entrepreneur and the buyer, ChicagoMSDC is the central network where trading partners meet and business alliances flourish; and

WHEREAS, On April 10-11, 2014 the ChicagoMSDC will hold the 47th Annual Chicago Business Opportunity Fair at Navy Pier, a catalyst for developing partnerships between minority and majority-owned corporations and government agencies; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1968 as the "Chicago Business Opportunity Day" and later renamed the "Chicago Business Opportunity Fair," (CBOF) it remains as the signature event of ChicagoMSDC; and

WHEREAS, CBOF is the oldest and largest procurement show in the nation exclusively devoted to multi-cultural and multi-ethnic businesses; and

WHEREAS, CBOF 47 will offer workshops, networking opportunities and the 47th CBOF Trade Fair providing countless opportunities for fortune 500 corporations, government agencies and minority-owned businesses to network and develop new partnerships; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby applaud the tireless efforts of the ChicagoMSDC to provide opportunities for growth to minority owned businesses and welcome the 47th Annual Chicago Business Opportunity Fair to Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and a ceremonial copy be given to Hans W. Bonner, Executive Director of the Chicago MSDC.