

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE VISIT OF MAYOR OF OSAKA, JAPAN HIDEYUKI YOKOYAMA AND DELEGATION IN CELEBRATION OF THE 50TH SISTER CITY ANNIVERSARY OF OSAKA AND CHICAGO

WHEREAS, Mayor of Osaka Hideyuki Yokoyama was elected as Mayor in April 2023; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Hideyuki Yokoyama is leading a delegation to Chicago in honor of the 50th Anniversary of Chicago and Osaka being named sister cities; and

WHEREAS, the historic partnership between Osaka and Chicago was established as part of the Chicago Sister Cities International program in 1973 to acknowledge the shared goals of the two cities; and

WHEREAS, there is a long, rich history of collaboration between the cities of Osaka and Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Hideyuki Yokoyama brings a wealth of experience to his role including serving in a elected position for over a decade in the Osaka Prefectural Assembly; and

WHEREAS, this visit will offer a vital opportunity to share knowledge and strengthen the relationship between Japanese and Cook County partners; and

WHEREAS, during this visit the Mayor of Osaka and delegation will commemorate the 50th Sister City Anniversary of Osaka and Chicago with a meeting with the Mayor of Chicago Brandon Johnson and a joint declaration; and

WHEREAS, during this visit the Mayor of Osaka and delegation will participate in a seminar with technology incubator 1871; and

WHEREAS, during this visit the Mayor of Osaka and delegation will participate in a tree planting in the Osaka Gardens in Jackson Park and will throw out a first pitch at a Chicago Cubs game; ands

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morita is proud to have the official residence for the Consul General of Japan in the 13th District in Evanston; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Morita and the entire Board of Commissioners look forward to the important exchange of ideas and celebration of partnership; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby welcome Mayor of Osaka Hideyuki Yokoyama and the entire delegation to Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mayor Hideyuki Yokoyama.