



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE HIP HOP OLYMPICS OF COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Chicago Urban Fine Arts Commonwealth NFP and the Cook County Forest Preserve District have agreed to collaborate on organizing and offering Greater Chicagoland's first professionally juried hip-hop sporting event, the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics, scheduled for 9 a.m.-6 p.m Sat., Oct. 21, 2023, at Camp Shabonna Woods, 15810 S. Torrence Ave., South Holland, IL 60409; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics will feature individual competitions in all Five Hip-Hop Elements--MC'ing, DJ'ing, Dance, Visual Art, Knowledge--and a Quintathlon competition in all Five Hip-Hop Elements; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics is open to all ages and offers free admission and competition registration; and

WHEREAS, athletes, or hip-hop athletes, achieving the highest composite/cumulative scores in each of the competitive categories of the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics will be awarded the silver-struck P-Lee Fresh Medal named by Parker Lee Williams, the iconic renaissance founding father of fully evolved Chicago hip-hop and longtime supervisor of the "Oprah Winfrey Show" and Harpo Productions; and

WHEREAS, sworn judges and other high officials with the organizing committee of the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics will promulgate and enforce thoroughly worked out rules of honorable hip-hop sporting and decorum based on parliamentary procedure and law; and

WHEREAS, one of the said sworn judges for the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics will be jazz vocalist, poet, unhoused youth advocate, Chicago hip-hop matriarch and P-Lee Fresh's mother Flora Koppel; and

WHEREAS, Haitian-American Fernwood native and Rolling Out news organization regional executive, brand strategist and correspondent Precise/Eddy Lamarre will emcee the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics; and

WHEREAS, DJ Marc Cannon of Marc Cannon Studios Inc. and DJ/selectress Kinky P/Patricia Reyes will preside over the beats for the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics; and

WHEREAS, Fernwood-based Bird's Eye View Productions is media partner for the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics via Chicago Urban Fine Arts Commonwealth NFP's Operation Oscar Michaeux media unit; and

WHEREAS, food trucks and food carts of diverse cuisines will preside on the Visual Art Green of the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics next the competitive Visual Art installations; and

WHEREAS, whereas the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympic Village will feature tables and giveaways by the Chicago Urban Fine Arts Commonwealth NFP, Cook County Forest Preserve District, Roseland Ceasefire, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and Cook County Forest Preserve District cabins to rent; and

WHEREAS, CUFAC and the organizing committee for the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics are based out of Maple Park subdivision of West Pullman in the 21st Ward represented by Chicago City Council's youngest alderperson and in

the 5th District by the newest Cook County Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Hip-Hop Olympics combined fun and healthy recreation with a sophisticated civics lesson for competitors and spectators of all ages; Therefore

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Cook County Commissioner Dennis Deer recognize the Chicago Urban Fine Arts Commonwealth NFP and its allies for their partnership with Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserve for the establishment of the Cook County Hip Hop Olympics.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to the founders of the Hip Hop Olympics, and a copy is spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body.