

## Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

## **Legislation Text**

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## PROPOSED RESOLUTION

## RECOGNIZING THE BARRINGTON CRESCENT CRICKET CLUB

WHEREAS, the Barrington Crescent Cricket Club, with sister teams in both the Caribbean and Pakistan, was started 20 years ago from the ground up by Naveed Ahmed and supported by Nadeem Khan, Dr. Syed Haider, and Sakina Kisat and Arman Rafi; and

WHEREAS, with nearly 2,000 registered cricket players living across Cook County, the Club's success has led to an explosion of the sport's popularity across the collar counties-attracting nearly 500 spectators to every game; and

WHEREAS, the Club scouts players from all across the country to come play for their club, and have recently recruited top tier cricket players, including Sarfraz Ahmed, Calvin Savage, Hassan Khan, Saad Ali, Rameez Raja, Hammad Azam, and Awais Zia, to be their ambassadors; and

WHEREAS, the Club works to keep itself community-driven by working with local schools to offer coaching experience to students as well as ensuring that games are free and fun for the whole family; and

WHEREAS, the Village of South Barrington has been a local champion of the Cricket Club, especially Mayor Paula McCombie, and leased land to the club in order to construct the first privately built cricket ground in Cook County that was unveiled in June of this year; and

WHEREAS, this year, the Club won the Liberty Cup, a competition that featured 10 teams; and

WHEREAS, the Club was 2021 and 2022 champion of the Hanover Park American T20 Trophy (AMT 20) Tournament, a competition that featured 12 teams featured professional players from around the world; and

WHEREAS, with Club being the highest ranked in Chicagoland, the County is on the verge of having its first major league professional team;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby honor the Barrington Crescent Cricket Club and recognize them for their major accomplishments both on the field and in their communities across Cook County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and suitable copies be tendered to the members of the Barrington Crescent Cricket Club recognition of their achievements and contributions to Cook County.