

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY ENGINEERS 2025 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

WHEREAS, the National Association of County Engineers (NACE) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan professional association established in 1956 to advocate for the importance of funding county-owned roads and bridges to federal officials and lawmakers; and

WHEREAS, counties own and maintain 46% of the nation's roads and 40% of the nation's bridges, making them the single largest stakeholder in local road and bridge construction, rehabilitation, expansion, and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, NACE encourages the development and growth of individual state organizations of county engineers and county road officials; works to improve relations and cooperation among county engineers, county road officials, and other agencies; and monitors national legislation affecting county transportation/public works departments and, through the National Association of Counties, provides legislative opinions; and

WHEREAS, NACE members include nearly 3,000 county engineers, road managers, and related professionals in the United States and Canada; and

WHEREAS, to further its cause and mission, NACE holds an annual conference, which serves as an essential forum for its members to develop policy and exchange ideas and information for the advancement of county engineering and management aimed at improving safety and mobility for people and goods; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Association of County Engineers (IACE) will chair NACE's 2025 Annual Conference, which will be held in Schaumburg, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, IACE has nominated Superintendent Jennifer "Sis" Killen to serve as co-chair of the 2025 Annual Conference; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize and express Cook County's and Superintendent Killen's commitment to co-chair the NACE 2025 Annual Conference and to provide vital assistance and resources to ensure its success; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that under the leadership of the Bureau of Administration and Superintendent Killen, Cook County employees from various County departments and agencies will support NACE and IACE, and be utilized to plan, coordinate, and staff activities and special events for the 2025 Annual Conference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Superintendent Killen will attend NACE's 2024 Annual Conference in Riverside County, California along with the IACE executive planning team to continue preparations for the 2025 Annual Conference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby acknowledge and commend NACE for its continued positive impact throughout the United States and express Cook County's and Superintendent Killen's sincere honor and gratitude to co-chair the NACE 2025 Annual Conference in Schaumburg; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to NACE in expressing Cook County's well wishes for a successful 2025 Annual Conference.