

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING SCHILLER PARK'S 100th ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the Village of Schiller Park was incorporated in 1914 and will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary at a gala on March 21, 2014; and

WHEREAS, in 1932, Julia Marenga Kolze became Mayor of Schiller Park and was the first female mayor in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, during the war years, several local men were taken into service, and population in Schiller Park was around 800; and

WHEREAS, during the post-war boom of the 1950s, population in Schiller Park reached 5,000 amidst the construction of new homes and businesses; and

WHEREAS, during the 1960s, the tollway, O'Hare Airport, and annexation of various subdivisions brought the population to 8,600; and

WHEREAS, during the 1970s, three public schools, two Catholic schools, and organizations such as the Scouts, Sertoma, and American Legion flourished; and

WHEREAS, ongoing battles with O'Hare leveled off the population in the 1980s to around 11,000; and

WHEREAS, Schiller Park became a Home Rule Village in the 1990s, and a Memorial Wall for veterans was erected; and

WHEREAS, in the 2000s, a senior housing project was completed, and a Metra Station was constructed; and

WHEREAS, throughout 2014 Schiller Park will provide the community with a variety of centennial programs such as a high tea, a parade, a historical tour, a concert, and veterans and family events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby honor the Village of Schiller Park on its 100th Anniversary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Village of Schiller Park at its Anniversary Gala on March 21, 2014.