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RECOGNIZING HONOR FLIGHT CHICAGO

WHEREAS, Honor Flight Chicago was founded in 2008 to recognize World War II veterans from the Chicagoland area by flying them to Washington, D.C. for an all-expense-paid day of honor, remembrance, and celebration. Most importantly, this day of honor includes a visit to the World War II memorial in the Nation's capital; and

WHEREAS, the first flight took place on June 11, 2008 and included only 105 seats on a commerical flight, which was less than the full capacity of the plane; and

WHEREAS, from that first flight in 2008, Honor Flight Chicago's operations have quickly expanded, with over 5,000 veterans flown to date and eight flights taking place from Midway Aiport annualy; and

WHEREAS, despite all these efforts, there are still an estimated 20,000 World War II veterans in the Chicagoland area who have not yet experienced their day of honor; and

WHEREAS, many World War II veterans have, due to age and other factors, not physically been able to travel to Washington, D.C. since the memorial built in their honor opened in 2004. These flights ofter veterans what may be their only opportunity to see the memorial and experience their day of honor; and

WHEREAS, Honor Flight Chicago has two remaining flights scheduled this year on October 1, 2014 and October 29, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Honor Flight Chicago is currently only flying World War II veterans, but is accepting application from Korean and Vietnam War vetarans for future flights.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby commend Honor Flight Chicago for the service they provide to Cook County's veterans; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners will help publicize the extraordinary work of Honor Flight Chicago and encourages all eligible veterans to apply for their day of honor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and a suitable copy of same be tendered to Honor Flight Chicago in recognition of their efforts.

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