

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

Legislation Details (With Text)

File #:	16-5279	Version: 1	Name:	CONGRATULATING THE ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF OF CONCORDIA PLACE AND
			0.1.1	CONCORDIA CHILD CARE CENTER
Туре:	Consent Calend	dar Resolution	Status:	Approved
File created:	9/12/2016		In control:	Board of Commissioners
On agenda:	9/14/2016		Final action:	9/14/2016
Title:	PROPOSED RI CONGRATULA CONCORDIA C WHEREAS, in Church in Chica approached Pa mothers were n an after-school and WHEREAS, in children ages th school at 3300 community lead 2002, the Conc included in this expanded progr 2009, the organ that they serve; strengthening C WHEREAS, Co key social need serving low-inco WHEREAS, Co year through nu programs, Scho resume prepara senior wellness ecology, nutritic WHEREAS, the and dedication NOW THEREFI	ATING THE ADI CHILD CARE C 1981 a young p ago's North Cen stor Zook lookin of members of program for 12 1989, the Conc nee to five; in 2 N. Whipple St. ders to expand ordia Avondale new non-profit rams to infants nization's name in 2016, Conc Concordia Place i ls; focusing on one and workir oncordia Place of oncordia Place of oncordia	MINISTRATION A ENTER pastor named Nic inter community. (ing for afterschool the church and h "latch-key kids"; ordia Child Care 2001, Concordia I and began fundra to serve more chi Campus was cre organization; in 2 and toddlers as w was changed to ordia Day, a siste and its mission; s a vibrant non-p growth and oppor ing poor families th currently serves 8 es, including Earl er-school and sur r exploration serv ior lift and transp programs, and h and staff of Con of Cook County. SOLVED, by the ty that this Board on the occasion ry of the Concord that this text be	AND STAFF OF CONCORDIA PLACE AND holas J. Zook took a position at Concordia Lutheran Only days into the job, three single mothers, I care for their young children; despite the fact that the had very little means, Pastor Zook agreed which led to it was at this moment that Concordia Place was born; Center was expanded to include full-day preschool for Lutheran Church purchased a vacant church and aising and working with elected officials and ildren and families in the Avondale community; in eated; in 2003, the Concordia Child Care Center was 2006, the Concordia Child Care Center opened, which well as teens, seniors, and adult learning programs; in Concordia Place to reflect the multiple communities er program, was launched with a social mission of
	momentous oc		ZOOK, Concordia	Place's Board Chair in commemoration of this
Sponsors:	BRIDGET GAIN MORRISON, JO	NER, JESÚS G OAN PATRICIA PETER N. SILV	. GARCÍA, GREC MURPHY, TON	RRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, GG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. I PRECKWINKLE (President), TIMOTHY O. AH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN,
Indexes:				

File #: 16-5279, Version: 1 Code sections: Attachments: Date Ver. Action By Action Result 9/14/2016 1 Board of Commissioners approve Pass

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF OF CONCORDIA PLACE AND CONCORDIA CHILD CARE CENTER

WHEREAS, in 1981 a young pastor named Nicholas J. Zook took a position at Concordia Lutheran Church in Chicago's North Center community. Only days into the job, three single mothers, approached Pastor Zook looking for afterschool care for their young children; despite the fact that the mothers were not members of the church and had very little means, Pastor Zook agreed which led to an after-school program for 12 "latch-key kids"; it was at this moment that Concordia Place was born; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, the Concordia Child Care Center was expanded to include full-day preschool for children ages three to five; in 2001, Concordia Lutheran Church purchased a vacant church and school at 3300 N. Whipple St. and began fundraising and working with elected officials and community leaders to expand to serve more children and families in the Avondale community; in 2002, the Concordia Avondale Campus was created; in 2003, the Concordia Child Care Center was included in this new non-profit organization; in 2006, the Concordia Child Care Center opened, which expanded programs to infants and toddlers as well as teens, seniors, and adult learning programs; in 2009, the organization's name was changed to Concordia Place to reflect the multiple communities that they serve; in 2016, Concordia Day, a sister program, was launched with a social mission of strengthening Concordia Place and its mission; and

WHEREAS, Concordia Place is a vibrant non-profit organization that provides proactive solutions to key social needs; focusing on growth and opportunity to instill self-sufficiency and independence and serving low-income and working poor families through economically inclusive programs; and

WHEREAS, Concordia Place currently serves 800 young children, teens, adults, and seniors every year through numerous services, including Early Learning and pre-school care and education programs, School-Age 365 after-school and summer camp programs, teen leadership initiatives, resume preparation and career exploration services, free English as a Second Language classes, senior wellness programs, senior lift and transportation volunteer programs, service learning projects, ecology, nutrition, and culinary programs, and holistic services, among others; and

WHEREAS, the administration and staff of Concordia Place serve as models of hard work, integrity, and dedication for the people of Cook County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and members of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that this Board offers its deepest thanks and heartfelt congratulations to the staff of Concordia Place on the occasion of the 35th anniversary of the Concordia Child Care Center and the 10th anniversary of the Concordia Avondale Campus; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to Brenda Swartz, Concordia Place's President and CEO and Pastor Nicholas Zook, Concordia Place's Board Chair in commemoration of this momentous occasion.