

## Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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A RESOLUTION HONORING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY AND THE 11,602 WOMEN

EMPLOYEES KEEPING COOK COUNTY MOVING FORWARD

WHEREAS, International Women's Day (March 8) is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women, and also marks a call to action for accelerating gender

parity; and,

WHEREAS, The theme for International Women's Day 2018 was a call to "Press for Progress" to motivate and unite friends, colleagues and whole communities to think, act and be gender inclusive;

and,

WHEREAS, 11,602 women employees show up to work each week to keep Cook County moving

forward; and,

WHEREAS, The 11,602 women make up 53% of the County's total workforce, yet the Cook County Board of Commissioners is made up of only 17% women - leaving ample room for progress; and,

WHEREAS, Across the state of Illinois, there has been a 39% increase in women running for office in

Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, The momentum for women's equality has been steadily gaining over the past year, with two national Women's March movements, the #MeToo movement, the #TimesUp movement and

more.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cook County Board of Commissioners will continue

to press for progress for Cook County's 11,602 women employees.

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