



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING COOK COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PACE RIDESHARE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Pace Suburban Bus has been designated as the Chicago region's public ridesharing administrator since 2006; and

WHEREAS, Pace launched PaceRideShare.com in 2008 to allow commuters to establish a profile and find others with similar travel patterns in order to start a new carpool or vanpool or join one that already exists; and

WHEREAS, over 15,000 users have activated a profile on PaceRideShare.com; and

WHEREAS, part of Pace's RideShare program includes the Vanpool Incentive Program, one of the five largest vanpool programs in the country; and

WHEREAS, Ridesharing contributes to an overall reduction in the number of cars on Chicago-area roadways, thereby mitigating traffic congestion, air pollution and energy consumption; and

WHEREAS, Ridesharing saves money for commuters by reducing spending on fuel and vehicle wear and tear; and

WHEREAS, Cook County employs over 22,000 individuals at a variety of worksites throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, Cook County employees can have a significant impact on reducing traffic congestion and improving the region's air quality by participating in Pace's RideShare program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby support the Pace RideShare program and as a sign of its support for and partnership with Pace, encourage county employees to consider actively participating in order to realize environmental benefits and reduce commuting expenses; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to Pace Suburban Bus in honor of its partnership with Cook County.