



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **MANUFACTURING AWARENESS AND APPRECIATION MONTH, OCTOBER 2015**

**WHEREAS**, Cook County in partnership with the counties of DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will and the City of Chicago, the Chicago Metro Metal Consortium, was designated an 'Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership' Community by the United States Department of Commerce in June, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, northeastern Illinois is a leading manufacturing center whose metal manufacturers generate more than \$30 billion in annual revenues and act as a driver of regional economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 1800 metal manufacturing firms located in Cook County provide well-paying manufacturing jobs for 51,000 employees and create broad-based prosperity; and

**WHEREAS**, Cook County in partnership with the Chicago Metro Metal Consortium are collaborating with manufacturers, educational institutions and workforce providers, nonprofits, trade associations, and economic development organizations to support and strengthen the region's manufacturing sector >>>; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fabricators and Manufacturers Association, International (FMA), the National Association of Manufacturers, and the Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) have designated October 2, 2015 as National Manufacturing Day and October as Manufacturing Awareness and Appreciation month; and

**WHEREAS**, manufacturers, educational institutions, and other organizations in Cook County will be hosting events on October 2, 2015 and throughout the month of October to showcase the high-skilled and well-paying jobs afforded by a career in manufacturing, to support and promote a positive public image of manufacturing, and to ensure the continued growth of the manufacturing industry; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim October, 2015 as Manufacturing Awareness and Appreciation Month in Cook County, Illinois and urge all residents to join in recognizing the important role of manufacturing in our county.