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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING MR. KENDALL C. JONES BEING AWARDED THE LINCOLN ACADEMY OF ILLINOIS ABRAHAM LINCOLN CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AWARD

WHEREAS, On Saturday, November 7, 2015, Kendall C. Jones was awarded the Abraham Lincoln Civic Engagement Award and thereby becomes a Student Laureate of the Lincoln Academy of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Kendall C. Jones was awarded the Abraham Lincoln Civic Engagement Award for his leadership and service in the pursuit of the betterment of humanity and for overall excellence in curricular and extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, Kendall is currently a senior at VanderCook College of Music, pursuing a Bachelor of Music Education degree; and

WHEREAS, Kendall grew up in Lake Villa, Illinois, and began playing saxophone in fifth grade at Pleviak Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Kendall attended Grayslake North High School, where he played in concert band, jazz band, jazz combo, marching band, and the pit orchestra; and

WHEREAS, Kendall began to explore his interest in teaching junior year when he became section leader in concert band and marching band, and became leader of the jazz combo; and

WHEREAS, Kendall attended the College of Lake County in Grayslake, where he pursued and received an Associate Degree in Music Performance for saxophone in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Kendall plays in the Symphonic Band, Concert Choir, Philharmonic Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, and Jazz Combo at VanderCook. He has also served as the treasurer for the VanderCook chapter of the National Association for Music Education for 2 years. Through these ensembles and positions, Kendall has advanced himself as a musician, performer, and leader; and

WHEREAS, Kendall has performed with multiple swing bands and jazz combos, performing at many locations such as receptions, weddings, and as a house band; and

WHEREAS, when Kendall receives his degree from VanderCook, he hopes to teach band, jazz band, and orchestra to a high school group. He also hopes to keep performing as much as possible and to continue pushing himself to become the best musician he can be. This extra musicianship will enable him to become the best teacher possible for his students and help him share his passion with every student he meets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Robert B. Steele President Pro-Tempore of the Cook County Board along with the Cook County Board of Commissioners, and on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County, do hereby congratulate Mr. Kendall C. Jones for being awarded the Abraham Lincoln Civic Engagement Award and thereby becoming a Student Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to **Mr. Kendall C. Jones** and a copy is spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body.