



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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## Legislation Text

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### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

#### MEMORIAL DAY

**WHEREAS**, Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is celebrated annually on the last Monday of May, and is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our Nation's service; and

**WHEREAS**, Memorial Day is a time for the Nation to appropriately remember and honor our American heroes; and

**WHEREAS**, our service men and women answered the call of duty and made the ultimate sacrifice to maintain the security of our country and the liberties we hold so dear; and

**WHEREAS**, our Nation is honor bound to remember those who died on distant shores defending our country and our way of life; and

**WHEREAS**, citizens across Cook County, the State of Illinois and the entire United States will pause to remember the sacrifices of men and women who died in service to our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, on this Memorial Day, as throughout the year, we pray for the families of the fallen and show our respect for the contributions these service members made to the continuation of American freedom; and

**WHEREAS**, our grateful Nation honors their selfless service, and we recognize a debt of honor beyond our capability to repay; and

**WHEREAS**, Americans must never allow ourselves to forget the contributions made by those who served and those who gave their lives to protect the freedom and democracy for our country; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important to show our gratitude for all our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, and Merchant Mariners who died in the service of our Nation that we might continue to enjoy the liberties we so deeply cherish.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the President and the Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, do hereby recognize Monday, May 30, 2016, as Memorial Day and pay tribute to those who served and those who died with a sense of honor, duty and dedication for the United States of America.