



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **HONORING THE RONALD MCDONALD GLOBAL DAY OF CHANGE**

**WHEREAS**, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicago and Northwest Indiana supports programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children and their families throughout the Cook County metropolitan area; and

**WHEREAS**, Ronald McDonald Houses in Cook County provide lodging, meals and support to families with children receiving treatment at local hospitals and medical centers; and

**WHEREAS**, Ronald McDonald Family Rooms offer parents a place to rest and regroup inside hospitals while remaining near their child; and

**WHEREAS**, Ronald McDonald House Charities strive to create a community where children and their families embrace life and healing with a sense of hope, enthusiasm, courage and joy; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2016 Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicago and Northwest Indiana provided services to 1,512 children with their Care Mobile, assisted 63 scholars attending college, and their Houses and Family Rooms have supported 4,960 families during their most difficult and stressful times; and

**WHEREAS**, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicago and Northwest Indiana participated in the Ronald McDonald House Charities Global Day of Change on October 16, 2017, which commemorated the opening of the first Ronald McDonald House in October of 1974; and

**WHEREAS**, the Global Day of Change was an opportunity to remind customers, donors, volunteers and communities that, by dropping spare change into a donation box at a local McDonald's, they are helping countless families in their time of greatest need; and

**WHEREAS**, spare change dropped in donation boxes helped raise approximately \$28 million last year in the United States for Ronald McDonald House Charities and the families they serve.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby express their sincerest gratitude to McDonald's Corporation, their management, employees, owner-operators and volunteers for their charitable efforts and their support of families battling child illnesses throughout Cook County and congratulate them on the great success of their Global Day of Change; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to McDonald's Corporation as evidence of the esteem in which they are held by this Honorable Body and the residents of Cook County.