

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CALLING FOR A HEARING OF THE HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS SECURITY PROCEDURES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act (20 ILCS 3305/10, Cook Country Ordinance created the Cook Country Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM) to coordinate the efforts of the County to develop, plan, analyze, conduct, provide, implement and maintain programs for disaster mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery within the County and with private organizations, other political subdivisions, the State and federal governments, established; and

WHEREAS, DHSEM is tasked, among other things, with the preparation of an emergency operations plan in the event of an emergency, such as inclement weather, domestic terrorism, or hazardous contaminations; and

WHEREAS, numerous security threats and disasters, both natural and man-made, have frequently occurred throughout the last year in the United States, and internationally, causing for an increased security awareness and the need to be adequately prepared to respond to such threats and disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby requests that an executive session of the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Committee be convened to discuss security protocols and procedures, preventative measures, and available county resources in the event of an emergency situation in Cook County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby request that a meeting of the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Committee be convened to discuss Cook County's preparation and action plan with respect to said security procedures; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director of the Homeland Security and Emergency Management appear before the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Committee and be prepared to update the Committee on the Cook County's preparation and action plan with respect to said security procedures.