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PROPOSED ORDINANCE

LOCAL WORKFORCE AREA-WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 10 of the Illinois Constitution, the Illinois Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 et seq., and other applicable law permit and encourage units of local government to cooperate with and support each other in the exercise of their authority and the performance of their responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 12-O25 adopted by the Cook County Board of Commissioners ("County Board") on June 5, 2012, the County of Cook (the "County") entered into certain agreements related to the consolidation of workforce development efforts with the City of Chicago (the "City") and the under the Federal Workforce Investment Act (the "WIA"); and

WHEREAS, workforce development efforts previously funded under the WIA are now funded under the Federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and the regulations issued thereunder (as amended, supplemented, modified or replaced, collectively, the "WIOA"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ordinance 16-5320 adopted by the County Board on October 5, 2016 the County entered into certain agreements (the "WIOA Agreements") related to the continued collaboration regarding workforce development efforts of the County and the City under the WIOA; and

WHEREAS, one of the WIOA Agreements is an agreement (the "Fiscal Agent Agreement") pursuant to which the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners (the "President") and the Mayor of the City of Chicago (the "Mayor") designated the Chicago-Cook Workforce Partnership as the grant subrecipient and fiscal agent for federal WIOA funds; and

WHEREAS, the President and the Mayor intend to continue collaboration regarding workforce development efforts under WIOA; and

WHEREAS, legislative approval of certain intergovernmental agreements consistent with the continuing collaboration regarding local workforce development efforts is in the best interests of the County and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

SECTION 1. All of the recitals above are expressly adopted as legislative findings of the County Board and are incorporated herein and made hereby a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. The County Board hereby approves, and the President is authorized to execute on behalf of the County, subject to the approval of the State's Attorney's Office as to form and legality, (a) one or more extensions to the Fiscal Agent Agreement, provided that the final expiration date, after giving effect to such extensions, shall be not later than June 30, 2026, (b) one or more agreements under which the President and the Mayor would designate a new fiscal agent, or one or more successor fiscal agents, under WIOA, subject to the appropriation and availability of funds, provided that the final expiration date of such agreement(s), including any extensions, shall be not later than June 30, 2026, and (c) amendments to the Fiscal Agent Agreement, the Intergovernmental Agreement dated as of July 1, 2015 between the County and the City and any related agreements, and such other supporting agreements or documents,

including without limitation one or more data sharing agreements, necessary or desirable to reflect the actions described in this Section 2.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be effective upon passage and approval.

Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption