



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION TO COOK COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, Openlands, a non-profit organization based in Chicago, Illinois, will donate twenty (20) mature shade trees that are native to Northeast Illinois to Cook County upon approval of this resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 1, 2023, Openlands will coordinate delivery of the trees to Markham courthouse and lead the effort to plant the trees utilizing four Arborist Registered Apprentices, up to four ISA Certified Arborists, up to 20 Openlands trained TreeKeeper volunteer arborists and up to 5 County employee volunteers: and

**WHEREAS**, after planting, the trees will enter a 6-year Openlands Maintenance Cycle. The trees will be mulched once each year for the first three years, undergo structural pruning during their third winter after planting, and then a second structural pruning during their sixth winter after planting. After their second structural pruning, the trees will become the full responsibility of the County;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the tree donation from Openlands;