



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611

## Legislation Text

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### **RESOLUTION FOR BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2019**

RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners Honoring Christopher M. Rodriguez (*As Revised*)

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago ("District") has adopted the Restore the Canopy program as a part of the strategic plan to add value to real estate by revitalizing the urban forest; and

WHEREAS, to achieve this goal, the District distributes tree saplings to individuals, organizations, and government agencies to be planted in communities throughout Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Christopher M. Rodriguez, otherwise known as "Mr. Buffalo", is a passionate and committed naturalist. He is also an active volunteer in many organizations, including volunteering at the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward Clean & Green Day of Service; volunteering at the Field Museum's Volunteer Habitat Restoration program, and volunteering at the Friends of the Chicago River Annual River Clean Up; and

WHEREAS, Christopher has dedicated countless hours chopping down invasive species trees, such as buckthorn and mulberry, in his local area Cook County Forest Preserves; and

WHEREAS, in partnership with the District's Restore the Canopy initiative, Christopher has distributed over 3,500 oak trees over the last two and a half years; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, on behalf of ourselves and staff, extend our deepest appreciation and gratitude to Christopher M. Rodriguez for his environmental stewardship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the permanent Record of Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and that a copy of same, suitably engrossed, be presented to Christopher M. Rodriguez.

Dated: September 5, 2019