



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 MAY 1, 2014

RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the 100 year anniversary of the incorporation of Schiller Park

WHEREAS, in 1881, William Kolze purchased 105 acres of land near the Des Plaines River basin and built a house which became an inn known as the White House; and

WHEREAS, Kolze became honorary mayor of the unincorporated town, which was named after him; and

WHEREAS, the area became a popular weekend spot due to its nearness to a train depot; and

WHEREAS, the Schiller Liedertafel, a German singing society, frequented the area, and the picnic groves soon adopted the name of Schiller Woods; and

WHEREAS, in 1914, the village was incorporated as Kolze; the name was changed to Schiller Park in 1926; and

WHEREAS, in 1932, Julia Kolze, daughter-in-law of William Kolze, became the first woman village president or mayor in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the 11,000 residents of Schiller Park enjoy "a small town feel with a world at its touch," which is the motto of the village; and

WHEREAS, Schiller Park provides services to residents of all ages and is proud to host events such as "Make a Difference Day" to encourage acts of kindness, car shows, family fun days, blood and food drives, concerts in the parks and many others; 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, hereby recognize the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of Schiller Park; 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.

Dated: May 1, 2014

Approved: KATHLEEN THERESE MEANY, President; BARBARA J. MCGOWAN, Vice-President; MARIYANA T. SPYROPOULOS, Chairman, Committee on Finance; MICHAEL A. ALVAREZ; FRANK AVILA; CYNTHIA M. SANTOS; DEBRA SHORE; KARI K. STEELE; PATRICK D. THOMPSON, Commissioners of the Metropolitan

Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Approved as to Form and Legality: Ronald M. Hill, General Counsel