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## **RESOLUTION FOR BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 9, 2015**

RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Loyola University Museum of Art

WHEREAS, the Loyola University Museum of Art (LUMA) was founded in 2005 on the Water Tower Campus of Loyola University Chicago and is located in Lewis Towers, a historic 1926 Gothic Revival building on the Magnificent Mile; and

WHEREAS, Pamela E. Ambrose, Director of Cultural Affairs at Loyola University Chicago oversees the museum's eight main exhibition galleries, where LUMA mounts three to four major exhibitions per year; and

WHEREAS, additional exhibitions, primarily focusing upon the work of Illinois artists, are presented in the Harlan J. Berk, Ltd. Works on Paper Gallery; and

WHEREAS, at least four times a year, the work of local school children is presented on the third floor in LUMA's Push Pin Gallery; and

WHEREAS, the Martin D'Arcy, S.J. Collection of Medieval, Renaissance and Baroque Art serves as the permanent collection at LUMA and was established in 1969 by Donald Rowe, S.J., a Jesuit and Loyola faculty member, who named this collection after British humanist and Jesuit theologian Martin D'Arcy, S.J.; and

WHEREAS, LUMA is dedicated to exploring, promoting, and understanding art and artistic expression that illuminates the enduring spiritual questions of all cultures and societies; and

WHEREAS, under the governance of University President Fr. Michael Garanzini, S.J. and an elected board of advisors chaired by Matthew T. Dattilo, the museum reflects the University's Jesuit identity and is dedicated to helping people of all creeds to explore their faith and spiritual quest; and

WHEREAS, LUMA is one of the youngest museums to receive accreditation by the American Alliance of Museums; and

WHEREAS, an exciting list of programs, exhibitions and events have been organized to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, culminating in the fall exhibition, LUMA at 10: Greatest Hits, which features many of LUMA's past exhibitions and will give the museum the chance to display 10 years of acquisitions that have not yet been shown; and

WHEREAS, since 2005, LUMA's cultural events have introduced visitors to the rich cultural fabric of Chicago through a series of lectures, dancing, singing, costume and cuisine that have encouraged discovery, awareness, curiosity and an interest in life-long learning; 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, do hereby recognize the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Loyola University Museum of Art; and

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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 copies of same, suitably engrossed, be presented to Loyola University President Michael J. Garanzini, S.J.; Mathew T. Dattilo, Chair of the LUMA Board of Advisors; and Pamela E. Ambrose, Director of Cultural Affairs at Loyola University Chicago.

Dated: April 9, 2015

Approved: MARIYANA T. SPYROPOULOS, President; BARBARA J. MCGOWAN, Vice President; FRANK AVILA, Chairman, Committee on Finance; MICHAEL A. ALVAREZ; TIMOTHY BRADFORD; 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