



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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## Legislation Text

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### **RESOLUTION FOR BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 2017**

RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Washed Ashore and the Shedd Aquarium for presenting Washed Ashore: Art to Save the Sea

WHEREAS, through Washed Ashore, over 10,000 volunteers have removed more than 38,000 pounds of plastic trash from over 300 miles of beaches;

WHEREAS, ninety-five percent of the debris collected has been used in more than 60 sculptures depicting sea life; and

WHEREAS, Washed Ashore has partnered with the Shedd Aquarium to bring some of this artwork to Chicago; and

WHEREAS, the brightly colored, beautiful artwork will be available for public viewing until September 2018 with the hope that the hearts and minds of the viewers will be awakened to the marine debris crisis; and

WHEREAS, throughout the year, the Shedd will continue its efforts to highlight the problem of plastics in our waterways, including additional indoor and outdoor sculpture installation, a recycled wreath competition and scheduled Great Lakes Action Days; and

WHEREAS, together, the Shedd Aquarium and Washed Ashore will continue to promote the educational initiatives of Washed Ashore including loving the ocean, understanding marine debris, using art to gain attention, promoting solutions to this problem, encourage recycling and repurposing, changing individual habits to more eco-friendly products; 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 congratulate and recognize Washed Ashore and the Shedd Aquarium; 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 embossed, be presented to Washed Ashore and the Shedd Aquarium.

Dated: November 16, 2017

Approved: MARIYANA T. SPYROPOULOS, President; BARBARA J. MCGOWAN, Vice President; FRANK AVILA, Chairman, Committee on Finance; TIMOTHY BRADFORD; MARTIN J. DURKAN; JOSINA MORITA; DEBRA SHORE; KARI K. STEELE; DAVID J. WALSH; Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Approved as to Form and Legality: Susan Morakalis, General Counsel, STM:bk