

PROCLAMATION

Designating December 21st as National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day

Whereas, December 21, 2017 marks the first day of winter and is the longest night of the year;

Whereas, in the season of generosity and sharing, citizens of DuPage County are encouraged to commit themselves to promoting compassion and concern for all, particularly during the winter months that pose extreme hardships for DuPage County citizens who are less fortunate and without homes;

Whereas, hunger and homelessness continue to be a serious challenge for many DuPage County citizens who have the right to adequate food, housing, clothing, safety and health care;

Whereas, homelessness raises one's risk of illness, injury and death;

Whereas, the National Coalition of the Homeless and the National Health Care for the Homeless Council have designated December 21, 2017 as National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day

Whereas, on Thursday, December 21, 2017 a remembrance will take place in DuPage County to honor those who have passed away in 2017 as a result of homelessness;

Whereas, by joining together and remembering our neighbors, we can honor their lives by working to provide solutions to end homelessness with the County.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the DuPage County Board:

That December 21, 2017 is hereby named National Homeless Persons Memorial Day in DuPage County to remember those who have died homeless and to encourage citizens to support all local efforts to resolve the factors that lead to homelessness within this County.

Passed this 12th day December, 2017 in Wheaton, Illinois.



Daniel J. Cronin, Chairman
DuPage County Board

ATTEST:

Paul Hinds, County Clerk