



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Resolution recognizing and commending the Lake County Sheriff's Reserve Deputy Unit for their dedicated and valuable service to the Lake County Sheriff's Department and the residents of Lake County.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in the late 1970's, concerned citizens organized to patrol neighborhoods and notify the Sheriff's Office of suspicious activity; and

WHEREAS, soon after, the citizens issued a plea to the Lake County Sheriff to merge as one group and to be deputized; and

WHEREAS, in 1978, sixteen members were sworn in as the first Reserve Deputies of Lake County; and

WHEREAS, today, the Deputy Reserve Unit today consists of 50 dedicated members who volunteer their time to augment the Sheriff's Department during natural and man-made emergencies, traffic and crown control, searches for missing persons, crime scene evidence search, and provide assistance to local municipal police department and charitable organization functions; and

WHEREAS, Reserve Deputy recruits initially receive approximately 145 hours of training over a five to six month period with refresher training on a yearly basis in various areas; and

WHEREAS, men and women volunteer as Reserve Deputies out of a sense of community responsibility, and last year, volunteers contributed over 17,975 hours to the County, resulting in a savings to taxpayers of more than \$417,000; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, the County Board does recognize the efforts and contributions of the Lake County Sheriff's Reserve Deputy Unit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lake County Board does hereby commend the Lake County Sheriff's Reserve Deputy Unit for their dedicated and valuable service to the Lake County Sheriff's Department and the residents of Lake County.

DATED, at WAUKEGAN, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, on May 12, 2015.