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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL  
MAYOR

October 8, 2014

TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a resolution concerning the Lionel Corporation and Lincoln Park Zoo.

Your favorable consideration of this resolution will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Mayor



## **R E S O L U T I O N**

**WHEREAS**, Lincoln Park Zoo, a historic Chicago landmark founded in 1868, is dedicated to connecting people with nature by providing a free, family-oriented wildlife experience. As a global leader in conservation science, the Zoo exemplifies the highest quality of animal care and educational outreach; and

**WHEREAS**, The not-for-profit Zoo, managed by the Lincoln Park Zoological Society, is a member-supported organization and the only privately managed free zoo in the Country that has something for everyone, providing its visitors the opportunity to meet and learn about animals from around the world, to relax among Chicago's most-visited gardens, and to participate in exciting daily programs and events; and

**WHEREAS**, As the Zoo continues to make improvements for all guests to enjoy, a new attraction will open to the public on October 2 and the Zoo will host a weekend of events through October 5; and

**WHEREAS**, The Lionel Train Adventure, created by the foremost name in the toy-train industry, allows visitors to enjoy a 28-car, trackless train, featuring a locomotive, a coal car, two passenger cars, and a wheelchair-accessible caboose. The train will take passengers on a delightful roundtrip journey, beginning at a red brick station and traveling through a rich evergreen forest, over a quaint country bridge, into a craggy canyon, and through a lofty thicket of birch trees; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Chicago and Lincoln Park Zoo are grateful to the Lionel Corporation for creating an exciting new train adventure and for providing the first 50 train passengers on opening weekend with a free Lionel wooden train whistle; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago do hereby salute Lincoln Park Zoo's Lionel Train Adventure, proclaim October 2, 2014 "Lionel Train Adventure Day" in Chicago, and express our heartfelt gratitude on behalf of all Chicagoans, who make up a large portion of the Zoo's estimated 3.5 million annual visitors; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the Board of Trustees of Lincoln Park Zoo and the Lionel Corporation as a token of our admiration and esteem.