



# City of Chicago



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**Meeting Date:** 6/12/2019

**Sponsor(s):** Reilly (42)

**Type:** Resolution

**Title:** Congratulations extended to Grant Park Music Festival on 85th anniversary and declaration of June 12, 2019, as "Grant Park Music Festival Day" in Chicago

**Committee(s) Assignment:**

**Commemoration of the 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Grant Park Music Festival,  
Carlos Kalmar's 20<sup>th</sup> Year as Principal Conductor, and  
Proclaiming June 12, 2019 "Grant Park Music Festival Day" in Chicago.**

**Whereas**, the Grant Park Music Festival was conceived nine decades ago as a series of free, city-sponsored concerts to lift the spirits of residents during the Great Depression; and

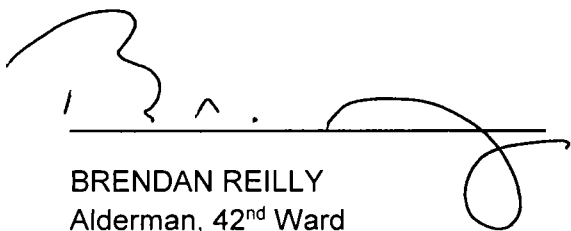
**Whereas**, the Grant Park Music Festival is now one of the nation's finest and longest-running free, summer outdoor classical music series, bringing diverse audiences together to experience symphonic music in one of the world's most magnificent urban settings, the Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park; and

**Whereas**, the Grant Park Music Festival will celebrate its 85<sup>th</sup> season beginning June 12 and continuing through August 17 at the Jay Pritzker Pavilion and other beautiful venues in neighborhoods throughout the city – from South Shore to Rogers Park to Jefferson Park to Austin; and

**Whereas**, the Festival celebrates its historic 85th year and its 20th anniversary under the leadership of Artistic Director and Principal Conductor Carlos Kalmar with a new long-term initiative, *Festival Next*, a series of concerts and programs aimed at reimagining the concert-going experience for the 21<sup>st</sup> century and nurturing a new generation of diverse musicians and audiences; and

**Be It Resolved**, that we, the Mayor and members of the City of Chicago City Council, assembled this 12 day of June, 2019 A.D., do hereby commend the Grant Park Music Festival for its efforts to enrich, enlighten and uplift all of Chicago's residents and guests by presenting free, world-class classical music concerts; honors the Festival on the occasion of its 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; congratulates Carlos Kalmar on his 20 years of service to the Festival; and declares Wednesday, June 12, 2019 "Grant Park Music Festival Day" in Chicago; and

**Be It Further Resolved**, that an official copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Grant Park Music Festival.

  
BRENDAN REILLY  
Alderman, 42<sup>nd</sup> Ward

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