

**PROCLAMATION OF COMMENDATION
FOR
WORLD HEART DAY**

WHEREAS, cardiovascular disease (CVD) is the leading cause of death and disability in the world today; over 17.5 million people die from cardiovascular disease every year; and

WHEREAS, World Heart Day encourages communities to unite in the fight against CVD and reduce the global disease burden; and

WHEREAS, created by the World Heart Federation, World Heart Day educates people around the globe about CVD and highlights the actions that individuals can take to prevent and control CVD; and

WHEREAS, in DuPage County, West Chicago Mayor Ruben Pineda is committed to raising awareness of cardiovascular disease and improving the health in the West Chicago community through “Move with the Mayor,” a World Heart Day-inspired campaign; and

WHEREAS, the campaign, a partnership between the city of West Chicago, Healthy West Chicago and the National Forum for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention, with support from the staff and administration of West Chicago Elementary District 33, encourages the community to get out and walk with Mayor Pineda every Saturday morning in September leading up to World Heart Day on Friday, Sept. 29; and

WHEREAS, research shows that walking just 30 minutes a day can significantly cut the risk of suffering a heart attack or stroke, and this campaign shows that even busy people, like the Mayor, can make time for their heart health; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Daniel J. Cronin, Chairman of the DuPage County Board and members of the County Board do hereby proclaim September 29, 2017 as World Heart Day to promote education and prevention of cardiovascular disease, and commend West Chicago Mayor Pineda for his “Move with the Mayor” campaign to raise awareness of CVD, promote physical exercise and create a culture of health throughout the community.

Enacted this 26th day of September, 2017 in Wheaton, Illinois.

*Daniel J. Cronin, Chairman
DuPage County Board*

ATTEST:

Paul Hinds, County Clerk