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Title:	PROPOSED RE	PROPOSED RESOLUTION						
	HONORING LORRIE WARD FOR RECEIVING THE NON-FORMAL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS							
	WHEREAS, in April 2020 Lorrie Ward received the Non-Formal Educator of the Year Award from the Environmental Education Association of Illinois (EEAI); this award, limited to one recipient each year, is presented for exhibiting innovative and exemplary effort in providing environmental education opportunities for general audiences; and							
	WHEREAS, Ms. Ward has been with the Forest Preserves of Cook County for over 11 years, and served in the last 10 years at Sagawau Environmental Learning Center which offers field science programs for adult and high school groups, as well as public adult and family programs; and							
	 WHEREAS, Ms. Ward is a leader in developing interesting and engaging geology and earth science programs that resonate with a wide range of people, and she invites people to read the landscape and understand how geology influences our daily lives; and WHEREAS, Ms. Ward is a creative nature interpreter who leads hundreds of school and public programs every year ranging from native plants to wildlife telemetry and Illinois fossils to glacial geology; and WHEREAS, Ms. Ward's accomplishments are many and include presenting at the 2019 Wild Things Conference on the Geology of Northeastern Illinois to 450 attendees, teaching the University of Illinois - Extension South Cook County Master Naturalist workshop on Geology and leading programs and tours of Sagawau for teachers that qualify for professional development hours; and WHEREAS, Ms. Ward offers a myriad of field science programming and advocates for the development of new and updated programs which include topics on lichens, trees, grasses, hummingbirds, warblers, grasshoppers and more; and WHEREAS, Ms. Ward serves the greater environmental education community by participating in the planning committee for the Chicago Botanic Garden's Unearth Science Festival and serves on internal committees for the Forest Preserves including the Animal Care Committee and the Conservation@Home Committee; and 							
	demystifying cor respect for natu	mplex subjects re and people;	and successfully the Forest Prese	vironmental educator, who is rem reaches her audience through he rves is fortunate to have her and l iralist and leader.	er curiosity and			

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Toni Preckwinkle, President, and the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserves of Cook County thank and congratulate Lorrie Ward for being recognized as EEAI's Non-Formal Educator of the Year for her commitment to connecting people with nature; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to Lorrie Ward as a token of appreciation for her service to the Forest Preserves of Cook County and the residents of Cook County.

Sponsors: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President)

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