



June 1, 2011

TO: All Commissioners

FROM: Matthew B. DeLeon

RE: New Item – Forest Preserve Board Agenda – June 2, 2011

**COMMISSIONER**

1. THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESUS G. GARCIA, ELIZABETH “LIZ” DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, EDWIN REYES, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN, AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS, Submitting a Resolution regarding Commemorating World Environment Day at the Chicago Botanic Garden.

**RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESUS G. GARCIA, ELIZABETH “LIZ” DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, EDWIN REYES, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN, AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS**

**Commemorating World Environment Day at the Chicago Botanic Garden**

**WHEREAS**, the Chicago Botanic Garden will join the United Nations World Environment Program in celebrating World Environment Day on June 4, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, since it was first celebrated in 1972, World Environment Day has been hosted in different cities and focused on different themes, and in 2011, the theme will be International Year of Forests; and

**WHEREAS**, for the fourth year, the Chicago Botanic Garden will commemorate World Environmental Day with its own series of public events showcasing how people of all ages can protect the earth through awareness and action; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chicago Botanic Garden is a world-class living plant museum that sits on 385 acres of Forest Preserve District land and is one of the District’s green treasures; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chicago Botanic Garden will offer lectures on tree canopy research and transitioning from fossil fuels to renewable energy; demonstrations by Garden horticultural staff; family activities, plant give-aways and Garden Chef demonstrations at the Fruit & Vegetable garden; plant conservation scientist presentations at the Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice Plant Conservation Science Center; ecologist tours of the three natural habitats at the Garden; garden pot recycling demonstrations in parking lot 4; and environmental presentations by the Highland Park Green Kids, Underwriters Laboratories, Baxter, Illinois Tool Works, USEPA and the US Forest Service;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County does hereby proclaim June 4, 2011 World Environment Day in Cook County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County hereby recognize the outstanding educational work done by the Chicago Botanic Garden and encourage residents to participate in World Environment Day activities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Forest Preserve District will post information about World Environment Day on its website.