



MILTON TOWNSHIP

EFFECTIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SINCE 1850

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-R-11 A RESOLUTION OF MILTON TOWNSHIP IN SUPPORT OF THE ILLINOIS AMERICA250 COMMEMORATION

WHEREAS, the United States of America will commemorate its 250th anniversary on July 4, 2026, marking a historic milestone in the nation's history; and

WHEREAS, on July 4, 1776, the Second Continental Congress formally adopted the Declaration of Independence, asserting the American colonies' freedom from British rule and laying the foundation for the principles of democracy and self-governance; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Semiquincentennial Commission, known as the America250 Commission (america250.org) was established by Congress in 2016 to plan and orchestrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, aiming to engage all Americans in commemorating this historic event through educational initiatives.

WHEREAS, the Illinois America250 Commission (ilamerica250.org) was established to develop, encourage and execute an inclusive commemoration and observance of the founding of the United States of America, and Illinois' imperative role in the nation's history; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois America250 Commission encourages communities, libraries, schools, local governments, historical societies, cultural institutions and individuals of all ages to develop inclusive commemorations that reflect on Illinois' role in the nation's history and development; and

WHEREAS, recognizing and supporting the Illinois America250 Commission will help ensure a meaningful and educational commemoration for all residents and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Milton in DuPage County, plans to hold events at its historic cemeteries inviting local residents, will in partnership with local schools host a student led interactive reading of the Declaration of Independence, will in partnership with the City of Wheaton and Village of Glen Ellyn celebrate with an America semiquincentennial themed float entry in the 4th of July parades, will in partnership with local civic groups & non profit organizations work to host dynamic events celebrating America 250, and will commit to planting trees in honor of America 250; and

WHEREAS, the commemoration provides an opportunity to reflect on the state's historical significance, honor the achievements of its people and inspire civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Milton in DuPage County hereby formally supports the Illinois America250 Commission and its mission to commemorate our nation's 250th anniversary.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Milton Township expresses its support for the Illinois America250 Commission and encourages all Illinois communities to organize and participate in local events leading up to and culminating on July 4, 2026, to celebrate America's 250th anniversary.

PASSED THIS 16th day of October, 2025.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

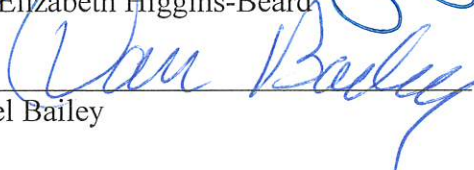
Abstention: 0

Absent: 0

APPROVED THIS 16th day of October 20, 2025.



Supervisor, Elizabeth Higgins-Beard

ATTEST: 

Clerk, Daniel Bailey