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COUNTY BOARD, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
ADJOURNED REGULAR, SEPTEMBER, A.D., 2003 SESSION  
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, A.D., 2004

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD:

As Chairman of the County Board, I present herewith a Resolution honoring Highland Park High School students for their outstanding efforts in raising funds for a new community health center; and request its adoption.

Respectfully submitted,



Suzi Schmidt  
County Board Chairman  
Lake County, Illinois

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, Highland Park High School students have raised \$93,000 for a new \$2.6 million community health center scheduled to open next spring a few blocks from the school; and

**WHEREAS**, the students raised the amount of \$93,000 in five weeks to benefit a new community health center that is expected to help about 200 students who come from families with little or no health insurance. The Highland Park High School students' contribution will build and furnish a family area at the health center; and

**WHEREAS**, since the annual fundraising began in 1994, Highland Park High School students have raised more than \$500,000 for eleven charities. This year student leaders narrowed the field of 20 applying charities down to three, which was further narrowed to Friends for Health by the choice of all students and staff members; and

**WHEREAS**, Friends for Health is an organization that is raising money for the health center. It was founded by four women about two years ago to urge officials to open a health center in southeastern Lake County.

**WHEREAS**, the Highland Park High School students raised money in dozens of ways, including dances, silent auctions and a faculty talent show. Hispanic students cooked and sold Mexican food; the faculty served pasta and desserts. Sophomore Aaron Levy raised the most money, \$16,024, by asking family members and friends for donations in memory of a deceased friend who had been an advocate for the health center. Saks Fifth Avenue in Highland Park held a student fashion show and donated \$9,227 – 10 percent of one weekend's sales – to the charity drive; and

**WHEREAS**, the Highland Park High School students have demonstrated their ability to work together for a worthy cause, thereby presenting evidence of their sharing and caring.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Lake County Board and all Lake County Citizens can not only take pride in the honor and excellence that these young people have achieved for themselves and their community, but we can also take a measure of admiration and appreciation for the energy, optimism, tremendous leadership and commitment of youth as displayed by the students of Highland Park High School; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, we do hereby extend our very best wishes to these Highland Park High School students for a bright and successful future.

**DATED**, at WAUKEGAN, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D., 2004.