

PROCLAMATION

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Whereas, DeKalb County is the home of Northern Illinois University, and

Whereas many in DeKalb County have close personal ties to NIU, and

Whereas, as a university community we share in both the triumphs and the tragedies of our beloved Huskies, and

Whereas, it is fully appropriate at this time to reflect upon the events of February 14, 2008, a date that will forever be remembered for the tragic loss of young lives, and

Whereas, the preparedness of the University and the swift and heroic actions of our many first responders kept a horrific situation from being any worse

Now Therefore, as we extend our thoughts and prayers to the entire Huskie nation, let us stand and observe a moment of silence for the friends and families of those who lost their lives on a day that will be permanently etched in our memories, and

Therefore, be it proclaimed that the DeKalb County Board, on behalf of the people of DeKalb County, does hereby extend its heartfelt care, concern and support to the victims of the tragic events of February 14, 2008, their families and friends, and our solidarity with the entire Northern Illinois University community.

Proclaimed at Sycamore Illinois this 20th day of February, 2008.

**RUTH ANNE TOBIAS
CHAIRMAN
DEKALB COUNTY**

