

A Resolution Regarding the Use of Herbicides Along the Illinois Prairie Path and the Great Western Trail

WHEREAS Commonwealth Edison has habitually and wantonly sliced limbs off trees near power lines in a manner that is neither aesthetically pleasing nor healthy for the trees;

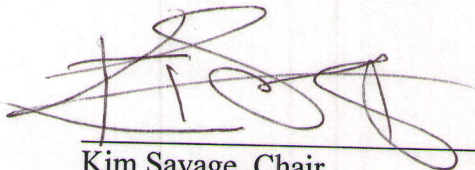
WHEREAS Commonwealth Edison is now preparing to apply for permits to use herbicides to kill trees and bushes along the Illinois Prairie Path and the Great Western Trail;

WHEREAS Said herbicides will have an adverse effect on the natural beauty of these trails and pose a potential health risk to the people, pets and horses that use these trails;

WHEREAS The Illinois Prairie Path and The Great Western Trail are taxpayer owned properties developed specifically for the recreational use of DuPage County residents;

WHEREAS The Democratic Party of DuPage County has been a long time friend of the trails and has volunteered to help the annual earth day clean up of the great Western trails for the last 7 years, cleaning the busy and dirty stretch between Schmale Rd and Bloomingdale Rd;

THEREFORE We, The Downers Grove Township Democratic Organization, do here by resolve that we strongly protest the use of herbicides along the Illinois Prairie Path and the Great Western Trail, and ask the DuPage County Board reject any and all requests from Commonwealth Edison for permits to use herbicides along any portion said trails. Further, we urge our legislators and the Illinois Commerce Commission to enforce the regulations requiring the utility companies to trim the trees in a responsible and healthy manner.



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