## BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508 County of Cook and State of Illinois

## WRIGHT COLLEGE HOSTS A COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAM ON THE 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE VISIT OF THE IMPERIAL CHINESE COMMISSIONERS TO CHICAGO

## THE CHANCELLOR

## **REPORTS**

that on Wednesday, January 19, 2006, Wright College's Theater was filled to capacity to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the visit of the Imperial Chinese Commissioners to Chicago and the Dunning Institutions, now the site of Wright College.

that in January 1906, a Chinese delegation visited the Dunning Institution [formerly the Chicago Reed Mental Heath Center] to learn how mental illness was handled in Illinois.

that the 2006 visit celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first visit and highlighted the importance of this visit in Chicago and Chinese history, the continuing importance of education, the treatment of mental illness on the site, and the importance partnerships between China and Chicago.

that the program in Wright College's Theater included a talk by Wright College graduate Dr. Chuimei Ho. She is the President of the Chinese American Museum of Chicago who talked about the importance of the 1906 visit. A geographic travelogue of China was also presented by Wright faculty members.

that the event co-sponsors were Wright College, Chicago Sister Cities China Committee, Chicago Chinatown Chamber of Commerce, Chinese American Musuem of Chicago, Illinois Department of Human Services, Tom Allen, Alderman of the 38<sup>th</sup> Ward, and Eli's Cheesecake Company.

Respectfully submitted:

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