



COMMENCEMENT OF THE
Class of 2018
Illinois Mathematics
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Saturday, June 2, 2018 at 3:30 pm
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CONVOCATION CENTER,
DEKALB, IL

PROGRAM

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(Please rise as the graduates enter and remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.)

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Rebecca Xun President Student Council, Class 2018

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Connor Elmore Vice President Student Council, Class of 2018

INTRODUCTION OF COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

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ACCEPTANCE OF THE CLASS OF 2018

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Erin Roche, Ed.D. and José M. Torres, Ph.D.

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Dr. Leon Lederman, Adopted by IMSA Board of Trustees, 1985

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