



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Cook County Building, Board Room,
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

BOARD NOTICE AND AGENDA

Thursday, June 12, 2025, 9:00 AM

Consent Agenda - Issued on 6/6/2025

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have registered to speak, with the Secretary, 24 hours in advance of the meeting. To register as a public speaker, go to the meeting details page for this meeting at <https://cook-county.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> to find a registration link. Duly authorized public speakers may speak live from the County Board Room at 118 N. Clark Street, 5th Floor, Chicago, IL or be sent a link to virtually attend the meeting and will be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. After each virtual speaker has completed their statement, they will be removed from the meeting. Once removed, you will still be able to follow the proceedings for that day at:

<https://www.cookcountyil.gov/service/watch-live-board-proceedings> or in a viewing area at 69 W. Washington Street, 22nd Floor Conference Room F, Chicago, IL. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony. Written comments will not be read aloud at the meeting, but will be posted on the meeting page and made a part of the meeting record.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Pursuant to Cook County Code, the Secretary to the Board of Commissioners hereby transmits Consent Calendar Resolutions for your consideration. The Consent Calendar Resolutions shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Clerk of the Board.

[25-2867](#)

Sponsored by: FRANK J. AGUILAR and MAGGIE TREVOR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION**HONORING LEYDEN TOWNSHIP ON THEIR 175th ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, Leyden Township was established on April 2, 1850, at the house of Richard Fuller, and initially consisted mainly of prairie land with a timber strip along the Des Plaines River; and

WHEREAS, Leyden Township is one of twenty-nine townships located in Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the area was originally known as Orison, and in the 1840s, farmers began settling there. The Chicago & Pacific Railroad laid tracks through the township in 1870; and

WHEREAS, Leyden Township encompasses portions of several municipalities, including Northlake,

Melrose Park, Park Ridge, Norridge, and Bensenville, as well as all of River Grove, Schiller Park, Franklin Park, and Elmwood Park; and

WHEREAS, the township has evolved from its agricultural roots to include a variety of residential and industrial areas; and

WHEREAS, the total population of Leyden Township is 93,096 as of the 2020 census; and

WHEREAS, Unincorporated Leyden Township is home to approximately 10,000 residents. Unincorporated Leyden utilizes the Melrose Park Postal Service and uses the Northlake zip code of 60164. The Leyden Fire Protection District and Cook County Sheriff's Police protect the unincorporated area; and

WHEREAS, currently, Leyden Township's government provides services to the residents of the included municipalities, as well as a large unincorporated area; and

WHEREAS, Leyden Township supports its senior citizens. The township reevaluates senior service programs every day to meet the needs and desires of three generations of older adults. Leyden Township senior programs continue to expand current and develop new programs and opportunities for this dynamic generation of older adults and have an eye towards the future; and

WHEREAS, Leyden Township's food pantry supports individuals and households access to food, maintaining food security and diet quality; and

WHEREAS, Leyden Township collaborates with many community organizations to support food pantry services. Leyden Township community partners know the importance of donating to the food pantry because it allows the Township to better serve residents and provide resources for those in need. Individuals continue to donate to help fight hunger in their community, making a lasting difference; and

WHEREAS, Leyden Township supports their veterans. Leyden Townships Veteran Liaison advocates for those Veterans and their respective family members who are either uninformed or have given up on seeking out earned benefits; and

WHEREAS, Leyden Township is dedicated to building a stronger community through educational and recreational programming. By offering numerous activities and events, Leyden brings residents with diverse backgrounds and common interests together. Leyden Township currently has five parks, one boxing gym, a community meeting room, and one community center; and

WHEREAS, the Township with collaboration of local businesses, Sheriff's Police, the Leyden Fire Protection District, surrounding municipalities, Manage Care Organizations, Health Care Providers and Leyden Family Services believes in celebrating as a community. Community events are constantly held throughout the township, including National Night Out, a Christmas Tree Lighting, and Leyden Township's

Health Fair; and

WHEREAS, Leyden Township, from leadership to their constituents, have always strived to build a township centered around strong community ties, commerce and business development, and support for the municipalities and the residents located within Leyden Township; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the accomplishments and contributions of Leyden Township over their 175-year history should be recognized and honored; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, do hereby celebrate and honor Leyden Township on their 175th Anniversary in May of 2025.

[25-3096](#)

Sponsored by: BILL LOWRY and TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LEAGUERS 70TH ANNIVERSARY AND DECLARING MAY 30, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 2, 2025, “LEAGUERS’ WEEKEND”

WHEREAS, the Chicago Urban League was founded in 1916 and is an affiliate of one of the largest civil rights organizations in the country; and

WHEREAS, for seven decades, the Leaguers, an auxiliary organization of the Chicago Urban League, centered community voices in cultural consciousness; and

WHEREAS, upon Muriel Ibom receiving her master’s degree from Atlanta University (no Clark-Atlanta University), the legendary Whitney M. Young, Jr. recommended Muriel Ibom for a position with the Chicago Urban League (CUL). The Chicago Urban League hired Muriel Ibom as a community representative, responsible for attending various community meetings to raise awareness about the League and to communicate the organization’s positions to people in the community; and

WHEREAS, Muriel Ibom quickly realized the League also needed fundraising support which prompted her to pull together about thirty (30) of their women friends in their twenties (20s) to support the League’s efforts. Muriel Ibom gathered women of different backgrounds who never previously worked together on any project. These women created the name for their new group: Leaguers. Three of our original members were still active until the mid-2000s - Grace Allen, Alice Griffin, and Mary Lou McDowell. Muriel Ibom once stated, “we wanted to do something positive for the Chicago Urban League,” remembers Ibom of the women she gathered; and

WHEREAS, the Leaguers’ first fundraising effort was selling chicken dinners for \$1.00 to men working

at area service stations. This effort in 1955 laid the groundwork for The Leaguers auxiliary, currently one of three CUL auxiliaries.

WHEREAS, the Leaguers serve as an auxiliary to the Chicago Urban League to advance the organization's mission and achieve the group's civic, social, and financial objectives. The Leaguers' members are also dedicated to the principles of the League to improve race relations and the achievement of equality and opportunity for all Chicagoans; and

WHEREAS, the Leaguers' aims are:

- 1) to assist with CUL fundraising;
- 2) perpetuate CUL policies /programs;
- 3) interest the community in CUL's work; and
- 4) acquaint Chicagoans with the challenges that CUL addresses; and

WHEREAS, the Leaguers previously hosted several notable events such as:

- 1) The Annual Dinner Dances Support for all CUL undertakings;
- 5) Fashion Extravaganzas. Trips to Las Vegas and Jamaica;
- 6) Masquerade Balls Membership Retreats;
- 7) Assist in CUL Membership Campaigns Theatre Parties; and
- 8) The 50th Anniversary "Golden Reflections" Gala (2005); and

WHEREAS, the main benefit of being a Leaguer is the satisfaction Leaguers experience as full partners with the League in the quest for economic and social equality as the League works to bring people into the economic mainstream; and

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, BILL LOWRY, COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF THE 3rd DISTRICT, AND TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, does hereby celebrate the Leaguers 70th anniversary and do declare May 30, 2025, through June 2, 2025, "Leaguers' Weekend"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to the Leaguers as a lasting tribute to their remarkable legacy and in grateful acknowledgment of their exceptional service by the **Office of Cook County Commissioner Bill Lowry 3rd**.

[25-3056](#)

Sponsored by: DONNA MILLER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING VICTORIA LEE MOODY FOR HER OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

WHEREAS, Victoria Lee Moody, is a devoted Wife, Aunt, Sister and Daughter. Her father Richard Rudnick was a lifelong Iron worker who raised his family on a union paycheck. Vicki has consistently demonstrated exceptional leadership and dedication to public service; and

WHEREAS, as a small business owner, Vicki showcased her entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, through her volunteer efforts, Vicki provided invaluable counseling and mentoring services to numerous troubled women, making a profound impact on their lives; and

WHEREAS, since 2010, Vicki has worked tirelessly in management for the Office of the Cook County Clerk of the Circuit Court, contributing to the office's efficiency and effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, in April 2017, Vicki made history by becoming the first woman elected to serve as a Township Highway Commissioner in Cook County, breaking down barriers and inspiring future generations of women; and

WHEREAS, Vicki served in the Executive position of Highway Commissioner. She reduced flooding and oversaw the safety and maintenance of all the roads in unincorporated Worth Township; and

WHEREAS, Vicki further solidified her legacy by being reelected to her last term in 2021, demonstrating her unwavering commitment to public service and the trust placed in her by the community; and

WHEREAS, under Vicki's leadership, she secured funding and grants that enabled the resurfacing of a record number of roads, greatly improving infrastructure and enhancing the quality of life for residents; and

WHEREAS, Vicki provided significant tax relief to the residents and businesses of Worth Township by freezing the Township Roads and Bridges tax levy for five years, showcasing her dedication to fiscal responsibility and community well-being;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby extend our deepest gratitude and appreciation to Victoria Lee Moody for her

remarkable service, leadership, and dedication to the community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Victoria Lee Moody as a token of our esteem and recognition of her outstanding achievements.

[25-3022](#)

Sponsored by: STANLEY MOORE, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF GATLING'S CHAPEL

WHEREAS, Gatling's Chapel was founded in 1985 by the late Lafayette Gatling Sr. and his wife, Marguerite Ewell Gatling, visionaries and trailblazers in funeral service; and

WHEREAS, the chapel has served Chicago's South Side with care, dignity, and professionalism for 40 years; and

WHEREAS, Gatling's Chapel introduced innovative practices, including drive-thru viewings, to meet the evolving needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, the funeral home has provided comfort and guidance to countless families during their most difficult times; and

WHEREAS, the Gatling family believes deeply in service, compassion, and honoring the lives of the departed; and

WHEREAS, Gatling's Chapel has been a source of employment and mentorship for many within the community; and

WHEREAS, the legacy of Mr. Gatling continues through his wife, Mrs. Marguerite Ewell Gatling; his daughters, Shirl Gatling-Lacey and Marquita Gatling; his grandchildren, Aaron Gatling, Lyric Johnson, and Melody Johnson; along with the dedicated staff of Gatling's Chapel; and

WHEREAS, the chapel has maintained a strong commitment to cultural respect and spiritual support; and

WHEREAS, its 40th Anniversary celebration on June 1, 2025, honors decades of leadership and lasting community impact; and

WHEREAS, Gatling's Chapel remains a trusted institution and a cornerstone of strength on the South Side of Chicago.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, that the Board does hereby honor and recognize Gatling's Chapel on its 40th Anniversary, express our heartfelt appreciation for its service, and wish continued success for generations to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered to the family of Lafayette Gatling Sr.