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**DAVID ORR
COUNTY CLERK**

Board met pursuant to law and pursuant to Ordinance 16-4645.

OFFICIAL RECORD

President Preckwinkle in the chair.

CALL TO ORDER

At 9:00 A.M., being the hour appointed for the meeting, the President called the Board to order.

QUORUM

County Clerk David Orr called the roll of members and there was found to be a quorum present.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Daley, Fritchey, García, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (14)

Absent: Commissioners Butler, Gainer and Moody (3)

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.

**17-1987
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE PETER N. SILVESTRI, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE,
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING OPERATION NORTH POLE FOR HELPING SICK CHILDREN IN NEED

WHEREAS, Operation North Pole is a nonprofit organization focusing on helping seriously and terminally ill children and their families during the holiday season; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, Operation North Pole's first fantasy trip consisted of thirty families taking the train to the "North Pole"- a quaint, 3,000-square-foot assembly hall transformed into a winter wonderland for the day's party and visit with Santa Claus; and

WHEREAS, Operation North Pole works with Chicago's major children's hospitals to ensure that the entire family shares in the day's festivities, which include breakfast, a festive train ride, a visit with Santa, winter wonderland fun, entertainment, lavish treats, and personal wish list gifts, providing families with an unforgettable experience amidst very challenging times; and

WHEREAS, every child is treated equally at Operation North Pole, and no child is considered sick on the day of the event; and

WHEREAS, from these modest beginnings, Operation North Pole has grown and now charts a Metra train to transport seventy-five families, and the winter wonderland event is now held in the 28,000-square-foot main ballroom of the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont; and

WHEREAS, Operation North Pole works diligently throughout the year so that it can fulfill children's specific wishes, designating \$300.00 per child; and

WHEREAS, the scope of Operation North Pole has expanded to include working with Operation Warm and has provided in excess of five thousand new winter coats to children in need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize and honor Operation North Pole for the important work it does for sick and needy children and for its positive impact on Chicago-area families; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to Operation North Pole in recognition of its good works.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2118
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE STANLEY MOORE, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING THE LIFE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NILES SHERMAN

WHEREAS, the members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners are honored to recognize the life and accomplishments of Niles Sherman; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, February 6, 2017, God in His infinite wisdom called to his eternal reward Niles Sherman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sherman, the oldest of ten (10) children was born on February 8, 1929 to Robert and Amanda Sherman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sherman was a proud and dedicated career officer for the Chicago Police Department and President of the Brainard Community Action Coalition; and

WHEREAS, Niles Sherman was elected into office as the alderman of the 21st ward in 1979 and the ward committeeman the following year; and

WHEREAS, he served as alderman of the 21st ward until 1987; and

WHEREAS, Alderman Sherman was a fearless activist on behalf of his constituents. He demanded that Chicago government either “Cut us in or cut it out”; and

WHEREAS, his steadfast dedication to serving others is depicted in the career positions that he held along with the numerous awards and commendations that he received. He served as the Democratic State Central Committeeman of the 2nd Congressional District, Assistant Commissioner for the Chicago Department of Water, and Director of the City of Chicago Youth and Correctional Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board President and the members of the Board of Commissioners would like to extend their deepest condolences and heartfelt sorrow at the passing of Mr. Niles Sherman; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Cook County Board President and the Board of Commissioners shall recognize and honor Mr. Niles Sherman in celebration of his life, accomplishments, and commitment to the citizens of Chicago; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the family of Mr. Niles Sherman.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2124
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE PETER N. SILVESTRI, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN
AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING THE MONTCLARE ELMWOOD PARK LIONS CLUB
ON ITS 70TH ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, the Montclare Elmwood Park (MCEP) Lions Club is a diverse group of men, women, and families who share a common vision of making their community a better place; and

WHEREAS, since being founded in 1947, the MCEP Lions have been making a profound impact on people's lives and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the MCEP Lions live up to their motto of "We Serve" by stocking food pantries, recycling keys and cell phones to benefit battered women and shelters, caring for the elderly, providing programs and services for visually and hearing-impaired people, assisting the youth in the community, and helping combat disease; and

WHEREAS, signature projects of the MCEP Lions include Thanksgiving pie and Christmas food basket distribution, school supply donations, a Reading Carnival, and a scholarship award, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, with 46,000 clubs and 1.4+ million members, Lions International is the world's largest service club organization; and

WHEREAS, Lions International's mission is to empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace, and promote international understanding through Lions clubs; and

WHEREAS, the vision of Lions International is to be the global leader in community and humanitarian service; and

WHEREAS, significant accomplishments in the early years of Lions International include Helen Keller addressing the Lions Clubs International in 1925, challenging Lions to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness"; and

WHEREAS, other early achievements include Lions International being one of the first nongovernmental organizations invited to assist in the drafting of the United Nations (UN) Charter. Lions have supported the work of the UN ever since; and

WHEREAS, in the late 1950s, Lions International created the Leo Program to provide the youth of the world with an opportunity for personal development through volunteering; and

WHEREAS, today Lions International's services include environmental causes and disaster relief, and its reach has expanded to more than 200 countries and geographic areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby honor the Montclare Elmwood Park Lions Club on the occasion of its 70th Anniversary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to the Montclare Elmwood Park Lions Club in recognition of its many years of service to the community.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2137
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,**

**PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE,
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RECOGNIZING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF
THE HONORABLE ANTHONY “TONY” YUKICH**

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Anthony “Tony” Yukich is celebrating his 100th Birthday on March 17, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Anthony “Tony” Yukich is known lovingly to family, friends, and neighbors as “The Godfather,” “The Mayor” and “The Dean Martin of Evergreen Park”; and

WHEREAS, Anthony “Tony” Yukich was raised in the Bridgeport neighborhood of Chicago and was a member of St. Jerome Croatian Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, Anthony “Tony” Yukich married the late Fran and became father to Jim, Bill and the late Bob; and

WHEREAS, Anthony “Tony” Yukich moved to Evergreen Park in 1957 and became an active member of the United Homeowners of Evergreen Park Party in 1960; and

WHEREAS, Anthony “Tony” Yukich was appointed to the Zoning Board of the Village of Evergreen Park in 1964 and was elected Village Trustee in 1967; and

WHEREAS, Anthony “Tony” Yukich worked diligently to secure land on the 9000 block of South Kedzie and establish a park with athletic fields, a walking track, a pond and an ice rink for the families and children of the Village of Evergreen Park to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, in recognition for his hard work on behalf of the citizens of Evergreen Park the Village dedicated the park to Anthony “Tony” Yukich and his wife Fran on April 28, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Anthony “Tony” Yukich has served the residents of the Village of Evergreen Park with honor and distinction for over 50 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby extend its warmest wishes and congratulations to Anthony “Tony” Yukich on the occasion of his 100th Birthday, and join all who have had the pleasure of his friendship in wishing him still more years of good health and richly deserved happiness; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and an official copy of same be presented to Anthony “Tony” Yukich to commemorate this joyous occasion.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2138
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
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PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE,
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

JOHN WILKINSON, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called John Wilkinson from our midst; and

WHEREAS, John Wilkinson was the dear husband of Mary Wilkinson (nee Ebzery); and

WHEREAS, John Wilkinson was the loving father of Juliet (Ray) Kracik and Angela (Brian) Haggie; and

WHEREAS, John Wilkinson was the proud grandfather of Ellie and Lucy Kracik and Anna, Mara and Coco Haggie; and

WHEREAS, John Wilkinson was the fond brother of Larry (Maureen), Bob (Kathy), Jim (Gina), Tom (Margie) and the late Dan Wilkinson; and

WHEREAS, John Wilkinson was the dear brother-in-law of Joan Ebzery (Tom Dimond) and Bert Ebzery; and

WHEREAS, John Wilkinson was the President of South Loop Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, John Wilkinson was the President of the Great Western Beef Corporation; and

WHEREAS, John Wilkinson touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that John Wilkinson was a kind and compassionate man, virtuous of character and gentle in spirit, admired and respected by his many friends and neighbors, and dearly loved by his family and his neighbors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of John Wilkinson and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to the family of John Wilkinson, so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2223
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE PETER N. SILVESTRI, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN
AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL FOR BEING NAMED ONE OF THE BEST
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS IN THE U.S.**

WHEREAS, the International Baccalaureate, as featured in *Newsweek*, named Trinity High School in River Forest one of the best International Baccalaureate (IB) programs in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the IB education foundation, founded in Geneva, Switzerland in 1968, aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable, and caring young people who help to create a better, more peaceful world through international understanding and respect; and

WHEREAS, IB programs teach students to explore what it is to learn, ask challenging and thoughtful questions, develop a sense of identity and culture, and develop the ability to communicate with people from different countries and cultures; and

WHEREAS, IB programs draw on content from educational cultures across the world, encouraging learning across disciplines and providing students with opportunities for individual and collaborative planning and research; and

WHEREAS, the ongoing, rigorous evaluations of authorized IB schools are part of the IB's commitment to keeping high-quality, consistent academic standards around the world; and

WHEREAS, Trinity became an accredited IB school twenty-four years ago, only the second one in the state to receive accreditation; and

WHEREAS, Trinity's IB program is a two-year course of study with six (6) subject areas: language and literature, world language, history, science, mathematics, and the arts. It also requires an extended essay; a Theory of Knowledge course; and creativity, activity, and service components; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its twenty-nine math and science courses, Trinity offers thirty-two fine arts courses; and

WHEREAS, in the last five (5) years, fifty-six percent of all Trinity graduates received an IB diploma, with its students testing ten (10) percent higher than the national average; and

WHEREAS, Trinity students who choose not to pursue the IB diploma are able to receive an IB certificate for individual courses taken, providing each student, regardless of academic track, with the tools to achieve her highest potential; and

WHEREAS, Trinity's single-gender environment fosters self-esteem, which plays an integral role in educational success; and

WHEREAS, in the last five (5) years, Trinity graduates have been awarded more than \$95 million in college scholarships, cementing Trinity's reputation as an academic powerhouse.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate the teachers, students, and administration of Trinity High School for earning recognition as a top International Baccalaureate program in the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to Trinity's principal, Noreen Powers, and president, Sister Michelle Germanson.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2254
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
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PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE,
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

PATRICIA KILROE, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Patricia Ann “Patt” Kilroe (nee Moran) from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Patricia “Patt” Kilroe was the beloved wife of the late Thomas Kilroe; and

WHEREAS, Patricia “Patt” Kilroe was the loving mother of the Hon. Shelia McGinnis (Hon. Terry Smith), Ellen (Joseph) Harmening and the late Thomas and Kevin; and

WHEREAS, Patricia “Patt” Kilroe was the loving “Gaga” to Erin, Ian, Claire, Thomas and Michael; and

WHEREAS, Patricia “Patt” Kilroe was the dear sister of Mary Moran Joiner, Joseph Feldman and Ellen Ryan; and

WHEREAS, Patricia “Patt” Kilroe was the fond aunt of many nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, all who knew her will attest that Patricia “Patt” Kilroe was a kind and compassionate woman, virtuous of character and gentle in spirit, admired and respected by her many friends and neighbors, and dearly loved by her family.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Patricia “Patt” Kilroe, and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to the family of Patricia “Patt” Kilroe so that her memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2260
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER,
JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA,
GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI,
DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI,
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

RECOGNIZING THE YOUNG IRISH FELLOWSHIP CLUB OF CHICAGO

WHEREAS, the Young Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago is a social and charitable organization run by volunteers in their 20's and 30's that celebrates the Irish culture; and

WHEREAS, open to young people of all cultural backgrounds, the Young Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago volunteers their time and donates to worthy local organizations to help make an impact on their community; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 42nd anniversary of Forever Green, one of Chicago's largest and longest running St. Patrick's Day celebrations; and

WHEREAS, Forever Green will be held on March 17, 2017 at the Chicago Cultural Center in Chicago and will benefit the Andrew Weishar Foundation, which supports the mission of providing immediate resources to the families of adolescents or young adults battling cancer, and March4Meg, an organization which supports people dealing with melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of ourselves and staff, do hereby recognize the Young Irish Fellowship of Chicago for their good works in the community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the permanent Record of Proceedings of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, and that a copy of same, suitably engrossed, be presented to the Young Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2299
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE PRESIDENT,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
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LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

EARTH DAY 2017

WHEREAS, Earth Day, April 22, is observed around the world to promote a healthy, sustainable environment, address climate change and protect the Earth for future generations; and

WHEREAS, a clean environment is a foundation for a healthy population and a vital economy in Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has increased energy efficiency through measures such as updating building control systems and lights, and replacing and modernizing boilers and chillers; and

WHEREAS, the County has invested in renewable energy such as solar electric canopies at the Bridgeview courthouse, solar thermal walls at four (4) Department of Transportation and Highways maintenance facilities to provide thermal energy and heat, and a geothermal heating and cooling system at the Skokie courthouse; and

WHEREAS, as part of promoting a clean environment, Cook County has set a goal of reducing its harmful greenhouse gas emissions 80 percent by the year 2050; and

WHEREAS, by pursuing energy efficiency and renewable energy, Cook County has exceeded its greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) reduction goals. GHGs from County buildings having decreased by 22 percent in five (5) years since 2010, surpassing the target of a 10 percent reduction from 2010 through 2015; and

WHEREAS, the County's reduction in utility use between 2010 and 2015 has saved taxpayers more than \$5 million in utility costs and reduced the carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions equivalent to the electricity use of nearly 24,000 homes in one year; and

WHEREAS, Cook County residents are surrounded by 70,000 acres of protected natural space that is preserved by Forest Preserves staff and many dedicated volunteers. These efforts protect native species and their homes. On Earth Day and every day, prairies, woodlands, wetlands and savanna are cared for through various restoration activities and people can learn about the local environment. On April 22, special activities include Earth Day Celebration and Preserves Clean up at Kickapoo Woods, a family friendly bird walk at Orland Grasslands, Restoration Work day at River Trail Nature Center, Earth Day Nature Play at Crabtree Nature Center; and

WHEREAS, Cook County is taking action to make all of its communities more sustainable and healthy through additional programs promoting shared community solar electric power; recycling and reusing building material from demolitions; promoting transit-oriented and cargo-oriented development as well as alternative modes of transportation to automobiles; assessing and cleaning up contaminated former industrial brownfields; removing harmful lead from homes; promoting energy efficiency for residents, businesses and local government facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by President Toni Preckwinkle and the Cook County Board of Commissioners that April 22, 2017 is Earth Day in Cook County.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2430
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, LUIS ARROYO JR,
RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, JESÚS G. GARCÍA,
GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

RECOGNIZING MAY 1, 2017 AS NATIONAL LAW DAY

WHEREAS, Law Day is a national day set aside to celebrate the rule of law. Law Day underscores how law and the legal process contribute to the freedoms that all Americans share; and

WHEREAS, Law Day has its origin in 1957, when American Bar Association (ABA) President Charles S. Rhyne envisioned a special day for celebrating the role of law in our society and for cultivating a deeper understanding of our legal system; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 1958, President Dwight D. Eisenhower established Law Day by issuing a Proclamation proclaiming it "fitting that the people of this Nation should remember with pride and vigilantly guard the great heritage of liberty, justice, and equality under law which our forefathers bequeathed to us." Every President since has issued an annual Law Day Proclamation; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 1961, Congress passed a Joint Resolution that designated May 1 as Law Day. The theme of Law Day 2017 is "The 14th Amendment: Transforming American Democracy"; and

WHEREAS, the Fourteenth Amendment, ratified in 1868, greatly expanded the constitutional protections available to all through its clauses guaranteeing due process and equal protection; and

WHEREAS, the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment serves as the vehicle by which many of the protections in the Bill of Rights are enforceable against state and local government actions that infringe upon fundamental liberties; and

WHEREAS, the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment is the source of many constitutional rights including procedural protections providing a safeguard against arbitrary laws or unjust court proceedings and includes substantive protection of fundamental rights that are not specifically enumerated elsewhere in the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Citizenship Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment constitutionally defined national citizenship for the first time and guaranteed that the privileges or immunities of United States citizenship would not be denied to any individual citizen; and

WHEREAS, this Law Day provides an opportunity to understand how the Fourteenth Amendment, one of the most cited constitutional provisions serves as the cornerstone of landmark civil rights legislation and federal court decisions protecting fundamental rights. This transformative amendment is a source of inspiration for all those who advocate for equal justice under law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize May 1, 2017 as National Law Day and its theme of "The 14th Amendment: Transforming American Democracy"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Cook County Law Library will celebrate the Law Day by continuing in its mission of providing legal information resources as a component of access to justice to ensure that all can explore and discover their legal rights.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2453
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
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PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE,
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND CAREER OF REPORTER CHARLES THOMAS

WHEREAS, Charles Thomas is known locally and regionally as the chief political reporter for ABC 7 Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Charles Thomas has served with distinction in that role since 2009; and

WHEREAS, Charles Thomas joined ABC 7 as a general assignment reporter in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Charles Thomas also achieved distinction in journalism as the Midwest reporter for ABC national news for three (3) years prior to joining ABC 7; and

WHEREAS, Charles Thomas began his journalism career as a reporter for KCMO Radio in Kansas City, Missouri, and worked for several local news stations across the country; and

WHEREAS, Charles Thomas reports news for ABC 7 that informs, enhances, and enriches the lives of the citizens of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Charles Thomas has been a cornerstone of the news business in Chicago for 26 years; and

WHEREAS, Charles Thomas is retiring from the news business, but he will continue to work toward the important goal of helping the African American community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that best wishes are to be extended to Charles Thomas on the occasion of his retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners that the deepest appreciation of the President and Board of Commissioners is to be extended to Charles Thomas for his extensive civic and journalistic contributions to the County of Cook.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2482
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE STANLEY MOORE, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RECOGNIZING HATTIE GREEN FOR HER LONGEVITY OF LIFE
IN THE AUBURN GRESHAM COMMUNITY WITHIN THE
4TH DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Hattie M. Green was born on January 18, 1923 in Canton, Mississippi to the union of Eddie and Mary Lee Escho; and

WHEREAS, Hattie is one (1) of six (6) children. Hattie attended Camon Elementary School and Canton High School in Canton, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Hattie moved to Chicago at the age of sixteen, and continued her education at Chicago State University; and

WHEREAS, Hattie worked for various companies around the Chicago area. Hattie decided to retire from the Seeburg Corporation Company after eighteen years of service; and

WHEREAS, Hattie Green was married to Frank Green for thirty-two years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hattie Green has lived in the Auburn Gresham community within the 4th district for more than fifty-years; and

WHEREAS, Hattie is currently an active block club member with the 8700 South Bishop Block Club; and

WHEREAS, Hattie was a member of Pilgrim Baptist Church for over 60 years, before she joined Love of Christ Baptist Church in 2011 where she remains an active member; and

WHEREAS, Hattie Green is 94 years of age and the matriarch of her family. She is the longest living of all her siblings and children; and

WHEREAS, Hattie's motto is "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"; and

WHEREAS, Hattie Green is dearly loved by her family, friends and neighbors, for her kindness, generosity and caring spirit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, shall honor Mrs. Hattie Green for her commitment and dedication to the Auburn Gresham community within the 4th district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the cook county clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to be presented to Hattie Green in recognition of this important milestone.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2564
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE,
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING HARRY J. KLEIN ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT
AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BURBANK**

WHEREAS, The Honorable Harry J. Klein, Mayor of the City of Burbank, will retire this April after 40 years of admirable and exemplary service to the citizens of Burbank; and

WHEREAS, Harry J. Klein was first appointed Mayor of Burbank in 1991 and was then elected to six (6) consecutive four (4) years terms beginning in 1993; and

WHEREAS, Harry J. Klein served as Treasurer to the City of Burbank for 14 years prior to his service as Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burbank, a 4.17 square mile community first incorporated in 1970, has benefited immeasurably from the steady and capable stewardship of Mayor Harry J. Klein; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burbank today is a thriving and diverse community in large part due to decades of thoughtful decisions and prudent management that have been the hallmarks of the tenure of Mayor Harry J. Klein and his able team of administrators; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Harry J. Klein has faithfully served the people of the City of Burbank with dedication and a commitment to public service that exemplifies the finest qualities of civic leadership; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Harry J. Klein has proven above all that his first priority is the quality of life for the residents of the City of Burbank, who know their community is an outstanding place to live, work and raise a family.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its congratulations to Harry J. Klein on his retirement and thank him for his four decades of service to the City of Burbank; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of same be tendered by the Commissioners of Cook County to Harry J. Klein so that his remarkable achievements on behalf of the citizens of the City of Burbank be duly recognized.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2600
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE PETER N. SILVESTRI, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN
AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING CATHOLIC CHARITIES ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities began in 1917 when a group of Catholic businessmen petitioned Cardinal Mundelein to create a central Catholic charity in Chicago to relieve the burden on Catholic parishes, struggling to meet the needs of the booming immigrant population as well as the poor and the sick; and

WHEREAS, during the Great Depression, Catholic Charities was a key partner in a city-wide effort to aid families struggling to survive prolonged unemployment. The agency also became known for caring for orphans and children of unwed mothers as well as the mothers themselves; and

WHEREAS, during the 1960s, Catholic Charities began to provide Head Start services; and

WHEREAS, in the 1980s, Catholic Charities became one of the largest providers of foster care and other child welfare services in the area; and

WHEREAS, through the 1990s and into the 21st Century, Catholic Charities expanded its programming for seniors and built affordable residences for this population; and

WHEREAS, during the same time, Catholic Charities partnered with state and federal programs on a new model for distributing food and social services through Women, Infants, and Children centers in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, along with the new initiatives, Catholic Charities continued to provide emergency assistance, counseling, addiction services, and employment and training; and

WHEREAS, today, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago is one of the largest private, non-profit social service agencies in the Midwest, annually assisting more than one million people without regard to religious, ethnic, or economic background; and

WHEREAS, every 30 seconds, someone turns to Catholic Charities for assistance. Catholic Charities offers 150 programs at 164 locations across Cook and Lake counties; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities has more than 3,000 well trained and dedicated staff who are aided by more than 15,000 volunteers; and

WHEREAS, in the last year alone, more than 250,000 people received food, clothing, shelter, and rent and utility assistance at Emergency Assistance sites in Chicago, Cicero, Des Plaines, Worth, South Holland, Waukegan, and Summit, and nearly 70,000 people were served a warm meal; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2017, Archbishop Christophe Pierre, Apostolic Papal Nuncio to the United States, will preside with concelebrants Cardinal Blase Cupich, Monsignor Michael Boland, and Bishop Joseph Perry at a Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of the 100th Anniversary of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago at Holy Name Cathedral.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Board of Commissioners of Cook County do hereby honor Catholic Charities for a century of service--supporting individuals, families, and communities--guided by respect, compassion, competence, and stewardship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to Catholic Charities on the joyous occasion of its 100th Anniversary: a Century of Hope.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2613
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE STANLEY MOORE, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING THE LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF JOSEPHINE “MOTHER” WADE

WHEREAS, the members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners are pleased to recognize the dedication and commitment given to the residents of Chicago by Josephine “Mother” Wade; and

WHEREAS, Josephine Wade was one (1) of thirteen (13) children born to George Wade and Margie Ree Wade; and

WHEREAS, Josephine Wade attended Lincoln High School in Forrest City, Arkansas and graduated from South Mountain High School in Phoenix, Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Josephine Wade made a decision at the age of 15 that the way to reach her dreams was to become an entrepreneur; and

WHEREAS, Josephine entered the business world at the age of 21 and quickly established herself as a hard worker and strategic businesswoman; and

WHEREAS, Josephine Wade pursued her interest in being a restaurateur and mortgage broker for 33 years; and

WHEREAS, after marrying Rupert Smith, the love of her life, they went on to open Captain's Hard Times Dining at 353 East 79th Street in Chicago in 1989; and

WHEREAS, their collaboration was so successful that less than four (4) months after opening, they outgrew the 79th Street location and moved to their present location of 436-440 East 79th Street in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Josephine Wade had three (3) biological children, Victor Love, Beverly Love and Elyse Love, but she also would look after all of the children in her community as if she were their “mother”; and

WHEREAS, “Mother” Wade, as she is called in the community, gave “mother” lessons to all the children who she came into contact with, whether it was discipline, financial or just a motherly hug; and

WHEREAS, she cares less about a person’s economic status and more about a person’s potential; and

WHEREAS, “Mother” Wade always expressed to anyone and everyone her motto: “I always put God first in my life, and my second love, of course, is my family, followed closely by the church and the clergy”; and

WHEREAS, “Mother” Wade is a loyal member of Triedstone Full Gospel Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, “Mother” Wade expresses her love for her community by committing her time and energy as a member of the Board of Directors of the Albertina Walker Scholarship Foundation as well as serving on the Community Advisory Board for Carver High School and the Harold Washington College’s Hospitality Program and several national associations; and

WHEREAS, “Mother” Wade has received many awards in the past, but the ones that she will cherish most include being recognized by President Bill Clinton and President George Bush for her community and political involvement; and

WHEREAS, Rainbow PUSH honored her at its International Women’s Luncheon by presenting her the Excellence in Business Award in June 2016; and

WHEREAS, in March 2017 the Chicago Defender recognized Josephine “Mother” Wade as one of 2017’s “50 Women of Excellence”; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2017 “Mother” Wade received her greatest award when the community that she has lived in and worked tirelessly to support honored her by dedicating the intersection of 79th Street and South Vernon in her name.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Cook County shall recognize Josephine “Mother” Wade’s tireless service to the citizens of Chicago; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to be presented to Josephine “Mother” Wade in recognition of this important milestone.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2637
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN,
LUIS ARROYO, JR and JERRY BUTLER, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING LEGENDARY ST. JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL COACH GENE
PINGATORE ON HIS 1,000 CAREER WINS IN ILLINOIS HISTORY**

WHEREAS, Gene Pingatore has admirably served since 1960 as an educator, mentor, and head basketball coach of St. Joseph High School in Westchester, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Gene Pingatore was born in Cicero, Illinois, currently the 16th District of Cook County, and attended St. Mel's High School where he played on the 1954 City Championship team; and

WHEREAS, upon graduation from high school, Gene Pingatore received an athletic scholarship and played basketball for Loyola University of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, Gene Pingatore returned to Chicago in 1960 and served nine (9) years as an assistant under Pat Callahan, prior to taking over as head coach for the St. Joseph Chargers during the 1969-70 basketball season; and

WHEREAS, throughout his 48-year career at St. Joseph High School, Gene Pingatore has led the Chargers to 27 East Suburban Catholic Conference Championships, two Catholic League North titles, 32 regional titles, 13 sectional titles, six (6) top-four finishes, and two (2) state championships-in 1999 (Class AA) and 2015 (Class 3A); and

WHEREAS, Gene Pingatore has coached numerous National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and professional basketball players, including three notable McDonald's All-Americans: Deryl Cunningham '89, Daryl Thomas '83, and National Basketball Association (NBA) great Isiah Thomas '79; and

WHEREAS, Gene Pingatore added another milestone to his legendary career on February 11, 2017, when he won his 1000th career Illinois High School Association (IHSA) game with a 81-71 victory over St. Rita in the first round of the Chicago Catholic League Tournament; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Federation of State High School, Gene Pingatore became only the 15th boys' basketball coach in the United States to achieve 1,000 victories; and

WHEREAS, Gene Pingatore is the winningest coach in Illinois high school basketball history and first to reach 1000 wins; and continues to inspire so many young men to excel in athletics, academics, and as leaders in their communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its congratulations to St. Joseph High School Head Basketball Coach Gene Pingatore on the occasion of becoming the first boys basketball coach in Illinois history to reach 1,000 wins; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of same be tendered by the Commissioners of Cook County to Gene Pingatore to recognize his remarkable achievements and dedication to St. Joseph High School.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2638
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE STANLEY MOORE, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE,
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RECOGNIZING INEZ DELOIS SMITH WILBON FOR HER LONGEVITY OF LIFE IN THE
SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY WITHIN THE 4TH DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Inez Delois Smith Wilbon was the fourth of twelve children, born to Willie and Rebecca Smith in Arkansas City, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, on July 12, 1923, Inez graduated from East Carroll Parish High School; and

WHEREAS, Inez relocated to Chicago in 1943, and begin working at Hump Hair Pin Company; and

WHEREAS, in 1945 Inez married Johnnie Wilbon, and inherited four (4) wonderful children in addition to their daughter; and

WHEREAS, in 1952 Inez went to work for Schulz and Burch Biscuit Company and retired after 33 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Inez is an active member of New Nazareth Baptist Church, and has been a member for 61 years; and

WHEREAS, Inez was crowned Prom Queen of New Nazareth Baptist Church in 2013, and will forever hold this title. She lives and is an active member in her community for 61 years; and

WHEREAS, Inez comes from a family of entrepreneurs, that was spearheaded by her father's teachings; and

WHEREAS, Inez has a wonderful group of grandchildren who cares for her, and she loves them dearly. She calls her eldest grandchild Harold Wilbon her right hand. He is there for her every beck and call.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, shall honor Mrs. Inez Delois Smith Wilbon for her commitment and dedication to the South Shore community within the 4th district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Cook County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to be presented to Inez Delois Smith Wilbon in recognition of this important milestone

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE LARRY SUFFREDIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE
AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

IN MEMORY OF JAMES W. RYAN

WHEREAS, James W. Ryan's long legal career was exceptional for many reasons; he was one of the longest serving Assistant States Attorneys, one of the longest serving Staff Attorneys for the Circuit Court of Cook County, but it was his integrity and wisdom that made him a treasured member of the bar and the community. When he died at the age of 81 he left behind a devoted family, countless friends, colleagues and a community enriched for having known him; and

WHEREAS, while a leader at the Cook County State's Attorney's Office, James Ryan set the highest standards for integrity. During his long tenure as a Cook County Assistant States Attorney he was uniformly regarded as one who deeply respected the office and will long be remembered for his thorough work and his high ethical standards and professionalism. Above all, he will be remembered as a model of kindness and affability; and

WHEREAS, James W. Ryan enjoyed a lengthy and distinguished legal career. He was genuinely admired and respected by his fellow lawyers and gave generously of his time to better the profession; he was an active member of the Chicago Bar Association for over fifty years. He served on the Domestic Relations Committee where he was appointed secretary, vice chair and chairman. For over a decade he was a member of the Chicago Bar Association's Legislative Committee and was Chairman of the Domestic Relations Legislative Committee. He served on the Screening Committee that appointed Guardian Ad Litem for twelve years; and

WHEREAS, James W. Ryan was an expert in child support and domestic relations who helped fashion legislation that protected children and brought justice to Cook County Courtrooms; and

WHEREAS, James Ryan will be dearly missed by his family, friends, and neighbors. His loss will be felt acutely by his wife, Theresa. Along with so many other relatives and friends, the community mourns the loss of James Ryan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County commemorates the extraordinary life of James W. Ryan, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable and innumerable contributions he has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; and

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 James Ryan

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2662
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G.GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE,
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING MAYOR SHERMAN JONES

WHEREAS, Sherman Jones was elected Mayor of the Village of Broadview in 2009 and was re-elected in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Jones stepped down from his position in April 2017; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the Village of Broadview has experienced many successes; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Jones led the Village through a major budget overhaul and eliminated deficits of nearly \$4 million; and

WHEREAS, under his leadership, the Village pursued innovative financial opportunities to cover much of the cost of a new fire truck and ambulance; and

WHEREAS, many of the Village's departments were overhauled to be more efficient and cost taxpayers less money; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Jones launched the initiative to resurface 13th Avenue, which for many years went without maintenance and was a problem for the people of Broadview; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Jones has worked tirelessly for the people of Broadview and has benefitted all of Cook County through his good work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners that Mayor Sherman Jones is honored and thanked for his dedication to the people of Broadview and Cook County.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2663
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING MAYOR FRANK PASQUALE

WHEREAS, Mayor Frank Pasquale was elected mayor of the Village of Bellwood in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Pasquale stepped down from his post in April 2017; and

WHEREAS, prior to his election, Mayor Pasquale served as a Memorial Park District Commissioner for 20 years and as a village trustee for six (6) years; and

WHEREAS, even before he served in elected office, Mayor Pasquale was a dedicated public servant having worked in education for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Pasquale has notched many accomplishments for the Village of Bellwood; and

WHEREAS, among the most important of those accomplishments was the construction of an over pass on 25th Avenue that enables vehicles to pass without being tied up by railroad traffic; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Pasquale has also led an innovative program to build bigger homes in the village to attract new residents to Bellwood; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Pasquale has led a life devoted to the residents of the Village of Bellwood and the people of Cook County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners that Mayor Frank Pasquale is honored and thanked for his 40 years of public service.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2692
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE,
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING MAYOR SAM PULIA

WHEREAS, Sam Pulia was elected Mayor of the Village of Westchester in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Pulia stepped down from his post in April 2017; and

WHEREAS, prior to his election, Mayor Pulia served as president of Westchester School District 92.5; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Pulia is a decorated police veteran who has served as Deputy Chief of the Westchester Police Department and as Chief of the Willow Springs Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Pulia traveled to New York City after the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks to aide local police officials with security and search and recovery efforts; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Pulia graduated from the prestigious Northwestern Staff and Command School, serving as class president; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Pulia has spent his life dedicated to the people of Westchester and Cook County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners that Mayor Sam Pulia is honored and thanked for his years of service.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2717
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, JESÚS G. GARCÍA,**

**GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING RAY OVERTON

WHEREAS, Ray Overton was born October 27, 1926 to Arthur L. Overton and Osca C. Presley; and

WHEREAS, in February 1952, Ray married Wilma Wilks of Colp, Illinois. He was drafted into the United States Army eight (8) months later and was discharged two (2) years later with an honorable discharge; and

WHEREAS, in 1956, he and his wife gave birth to their first daughter, Armintha, and in 1960 their second daughter Princess was born. After his wife passed away in 1961, Ray became his daughters' primary caregiver; and

WHEREAS, in 1961, Ray successfully started Ray Overton Studios, as a Commercial Artist in the basement of his home. He remained in business for over 50 years and was still creating promotional advertising, sign art, lettering and graphic designs until he passed; and

WHEREAS, Ray was dedicated to his community, serving as Block Club President for 25 years; and bowled in as many as five (5) bowling leagues at one time. He was an excellent bowler, captain, league secretary and president.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners to celebrate the life of Ray Overton and the sincere appreciation of the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners is extended to the family of Ray Overton.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2735
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

THE HONORABLE JOHN A. FRITCHEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,

**LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JESÚS G. GARCÍA,
GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING CHI HACK NIGHT ON ITS FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AND 250TH EVENT

WHEREAS, Cook County is home to one of America's first and largest civic technology communities; and

WHEREAS, Chi Hack Night was founded five (5) years ago as a free, weekly event in Chicago to build, share and learn about tools to create, support and serve the public good; and

WHEREAS, Chi Hack Night is a group consisting of thousands of designers, academic researchers, data journalists, activists, policy wonks, web developers and curious citizens who want to make their city more just, equitable, transparent and delightful to live in through data, design and technology as well as by increasing connectivity and interactivity between the City, Cook County and the residents and businesses who call it home; and

WHEREAS, Chi Hack Night attendees have produced over 100 applications to serve the residents of Chicago and Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Chi Hack Night has hosted over 180 civic technology presentations from government representatives, nonprofits, academic institutions, journalists, activists, technologists and groups devoted to improving transparency, accountability, efficiency and justice throughout Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Chi Hack Night has served as an onramp for Cook County residents to participate in civic life through data and technology; and

WHEREAS, one of the main organizers and leadership council member of Chi Hack Night Derek Eder, who along with Nick Rougeux created "Look at Cook.com", one of the most comprehensive websites providing detailed information to visitors on virtually every aspect of the Cook County budget since 1993; and

WHEREAS, the Chi Hack Night model served as an inspiration for Code for America's national Brigade system; and

WHEREAS, April 18, 2017 will mark the 250th episode and 5-year anniversary of Chi Hack Night.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate the organizers, members and supporters of Chi Hack Night on their fifth anniversary and 250th event; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to Chi Hack Night in honor of its outstanding achievements.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2740
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE STANLEY MOORE, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RECOGNIZING THE INSTALLATION OF PROPHETESS TRACEY LEE AS FOUNDING
PASTOR OF IN THE THRONE ROOM MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL**

WHEREAS, Tracey Lee attends Oral Roberts University, in Tulsa, Oklahoma and will receive her degree in Biblical Theology and Church Administration; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lee is a young widow, with three (3) beautiful and gifted children, Timothy, age 16; Mia, age 12; and Michiylah, age 10; and

WHEREAS, she accepted God into her life at a young age under the teachings of the Baptist Church denomination and was later baptized in the Apostolic Faith; and

WHEREAS, her introduction to Valerie J. Hill of God's Way Holy Temple in 2003 led her to accept her calling into ministry in 2009. She completed her journey and was ordained as an Elder and affirmed As a Prophetess on August 8, 2010; and

WHEREAS, since that time, God has graced her to minister to hundreds of people throughout the United States and the world; and

WHEREAS, Prophetess Lee does Street Ministry 3-4 days per week with members of her church as well As with members of other churches; and

WHEREAS, she understands the plight of the people that she ministers because she has walked in their Shoes and knows their journey; and

WHEREAS, she has been called to train other churches all over the country in Evangelism and Community outreach; and

WHEREAS, she has stated to many who have come to her for guidance that prayer changes everything Regardless of one's understanding; and

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2017, Prophetess Tracey Lee was installed as the founding pastor of "In the Throne Room Ministries International".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Cook County shall recognize Prophetess Tracey Lee's installation as the founding Pastor of In the Throne Room Ministries International; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to Forward a copy of this Resolution to be presented to Prophetess Tracey Lee in recognition of this Momentous occasion.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2750
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE STANLEY MOORE, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,**

**JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RECOGNIZING KENNY FULLMAN FOR HIS INDUCTION INTO THE
ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL COACH ASSOCIATION (IHSBCA) HALL OF FAME**

WHEREAS, Kenny Fullman grew up on the south side of Chicago, in the Washington Heights community. He developed a love for baseball and joined the Jackie Robinson West little league team. Kenny was a member of the Jackie Robinson West little league team for nine (9) years; and

WHEREAS, in 1984, Kenny graduated from Mt. Vernon Elementary school, and attended Mendel Catholic High School where he played baseball for four (4) years; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 1988, Kenny attended Kentucky State University on a baseball scholarship where he played all four (4) years. He received his bachelor degree in business administration; and

WHEREAS, in 1992, Kenny graduated from Kentucky State University and returned home to the south Side of Chicago. He began a brief career in banking but soon returned back to school. Kenny became an Athletic teacher at Owen Scholastic Academy, and an assistant baseball coach at Harlan High School; and

WHEREAS, in 1995, Kenny became a police officer at the 2nd district primarily working at the schools. His current career allows him the flexibility to stay connected with baseball; and

WHEREAS, Kenny has coached baseball at Harlan High school for 25 years. 8 years as an assistant Coach with a record of (629 - 251). 17 years as head coach with a record of (438 - 181). Kenny has won 12 Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Regional Titles, two (2) IHSA Sectional Titles, and a Chicago Public School City Championship; and

WHEREAS, he is an active member of the Illinois High School Baseball Coach Association (IHSBCA) board of directors, and has been the Chicago Public School Conference Representative since 2006. Kenny has coached 13 Major League Baseball (MLB) Draft Picks, 9 All-Americans and 27 All-State players; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, Kenny co-founded the travel baseball program known as (A.C.E.), sponsored by the Chicago White Sox and Chicago White Sox Charities. A.C.E. is an elite travel baseball program, geared toward inner city minority youth. The program is designed to level the playing field for minority youth interested in baseball, and opportunities for higher learning in college and universities; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, Kenny was selected as the People Magazine and Major League Baseball All-Star Among Us; and

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2017, Kenny Fullman was the 2nd African American inducted into the Illinois High School Baseball Coach Association (IHSBCA) Hall of Fame.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, shall honor Mr. Kenny Fullman for his commitment and dedication to the inner city youth in the Roseland community within the 4th district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Cook County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to be presented to Kenny Fullman in recognition of his great accomplishments.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2771
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JESÚS G. GARCÍA, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
GREG G GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING MARÍA PESQUERIA ON HER 16-YEAR TENURE
AT MUJERES LATINAS EN ACCIÓN (MLEA)**

WHEREAS, Maria Pesqueira has been a passionate servant-leader in Chicagoland's Latino community in the areas of philanthropic and public service for over two (2) decades; and

WHEREAS, María has been President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Mujeres Latinas en Acción (MLEA) since 2000 and Has helped the agency grow from a small facility at 17th Street and Wood Street to a much larger newly renovated building in 2006; and

WHEREAS, as President and CEO of MLEA, María has expanded capacity dramatically for programs around gender violence prevention and intervention, leadership development, community engagement, and

economic empowerment for Latinas and their families and has expanded programming to include Economic empowerment and violence prevention for young men; and

WHEREAS, also under María's leadership, MLEA opened an office in Cicero to work with the growing suburban Latino population and include programs to help meet the great demand for bilingual/bicultural services in suburban Cook County; and

WHEREAS, during María's tenure, MLEA has become nationally recognized for its services, impact, management practices, fiscal integrity and has withstood the fearsome state budget crises of the past few years; and

WHEREAS, María has been a tireless advocate for the advancement of women and girls particularly as those rights pertain to Latinas, whether immigrant Latinas or United States born; and

WHEREAS, María ensures that the voice of the community is heard at the local, state, and national levels while also helping to empower women to raise their own voices in the fights that matter most to families and communities; and

WHEREAS, María has been an activist in the areas of immigration, healthcare, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning (LGBTQ) equality, empowering women/girls, and more; and

WHEREAS, María has made a noticeable impact in our community with her longstanding dedication and commitment to MLEA and the families they serve; and

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2017, it was formally announced that María, after her 16-year tenure, will be stepping down as President and CEO of MLEA on April 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, María has dedicated her life to advocacy, justice, equity, collaborative effort, and philanthropy which she will continue to foster in her new role as President of the Healthy Communities Foundation, previously known as the Arthur Foundation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board Of Commissioners hereby Honors María Pesquera for her 16-year tenure at Mujeres Latinas en Acción (MLEA), thanks her for her dedication to the residents of Cook County, and wishes her the best of luck in her new role as President of Healthy Communities Foundation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the proceedings of this Honorable Body And that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to María Pesqueira.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2800
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE LARRY SUFFREDIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY,
JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN,
EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE
AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

IN MEMORY OF JUSTICE JOHN STAMOS

WHEREAS, John Stamos, former Illinois Supreme Court Justice, Appellate Justice and Cook County State's Attorney, died January 28, 2017; and

WHEREAS, as Supreme Court Justice, Justice Stamos authored a number of key decisions, including "The Himmel Decision" which set the moral standard for lawyers by mandating that attorneys report all form of unethical activity and fellow lawyer misconduct; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos was born on the south side of Chicago into a loving Greek family, Justice Stamos attended Bowen High School, DePaul University and DePaul University Law School; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos in the army during World War II; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from law school, Justice Stamos worked as an assistant state's attorney, in the Office of the Cook County State's Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos rose through the ranks of the office, running the Criminal Division and eventually becoming First Assistant States Attorney. When Cook County State's Attorney Daniel P. Ward was elected to the Illinois Supreme Court, Justice Stamos was selected the Cook County State's Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos was known for his strong moral leadership and for frequently saying "do the right thing," when reviewing cases; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos created an era of high moral standards and ethics in the Office of the State's Attorney; and

WHEREAS, in February 1968, Justice Stamos was elected to the Illinois Appellate Court; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Illinois Supreme Court in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos retired from the bench in 1989 and practiced law with his son Jim; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos was a leader in the Chicago Greek community; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos' first wife, Helen predeceased him in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos is survived by his wife, Mary "Daisy" Stamos; his children James Stamos, Theo Stamos, Colleen Stamos and Jana Dimartino; four (4) sisters, Christine Gehopolos, Sophie Carres, Bessie Mashos and Zoe Rummel; and four (4) grandsons.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County, does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Justice John Stamos and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

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 John Stamos so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2801
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JOHN A. FRITCHEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,**

**PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING JOE MANTEGNA ON HIS ILLUSTRIOUS CAREER AND CITY OF CHICAGO
HONORARY STREET DEDICATION**

WHEREAS, Mr. Joe Mantegna is a successful actor, producer, writer, director, and voice actor; and

WHEREAS, Joe Mantegna was born in Chicago, Illinois on November 13, 1947, and graduated from Morton East High School and Morton Junior College in Cicero, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, Mr. Mantegna began his acting and music career, starting a rock band in the 1960's called The Apocryphals that toured throughout the midwest, later playing with another local group, The Missing Links, who went on to form the band Chicago, his favorite band; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mantegna went on to attend the Goodman School of Drama in the late 1960's, and made his acting debut in the 1969 stage production of *Hair* and debuted on Broadway in *Working*; and

WHEREAS, he later earned a Tony Award for Best Featured Actor in a Play for portraying Richard Roma in the first American production of David Mamet's play, *Glengarry Glen Ross*; and

WHEREAS, among his many memorable film rolls, he is perhaps best known for his roles in box office hits including *Three Amigos*, *Forget Paris*, *Up Close and Personal* and of course his unforgettable role as Joey Zasa in *The Godfather Part III*; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mantegna wrote Bleacher Bums, a play about the beloved Chicago Cubs, while he was a member of Chicago's Organic Theater Company, and was a member of its original cast; and

WHEREAS, he married the love of his life, Arlene Vrhel, in 1975; the couple has two (2) daughters, Mia and Gia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mantegna also demonstrates a commitment to his community, participating in the National Memorial Day Concert since 2002, and he and his wife are also proud supporters of the Easter Seals Chicago and their Therapeutic School and Center for Autism Research; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, Mr. Mantegna received the Saint Pio Award from the Saint Pio Foundation, in Recognition of his outstanding contributions in "providing relief from suffering to those in need;" and

WHEREAS, he has received many awards, including a Tony Award, three Emmy nominations, and a Golden Globe Award nomination. Mr. Mantegna received the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2004 at the Los Angeles Italian Film Festival and has led the singing of "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" during the 7th inning stretch multiple times at Wrigley Field; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mantegna currently lives in Los Angeles, California with his wife Arlene, but they Remain Chicagoans at heart, and own a restaurant in Burbank, California called "Taste Chicago, "so they would never want for a good beef sandwich or deep dish pizza; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his storied career and his service to the community, the City of Chicago Has sought fit to bestow an honorary street sign to Mr. Mantegna by dedicating the southeast corner of North Hudson Avenue and West Armitage Avenue as “Joe Mantegna Way.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate and honor Mr. Joe Mantegna for his many accomplishments both in his career and in the community as well as his City of Chicago Honorary Street Dedication; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to Mr. Joe Mantegna in honor Of his outstanding achievements.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2811
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE LARRY SUFFREDIN, LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE,
SEAN M. MORRISON, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING THE EXCEPTIONAL LIFE OF PHILIP KALAYIL, CHAMPION OF THE
INDIAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY, EDUCATOR AND DEDICATED HUMANITARIAN**

WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil, an exceptional man whose life was devoted to family, faith and improving the community died at the age of 86 leaving behind a devoted family, countless friends and a community profoundly enriched for having known him; and

WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil represented the best qualities of citizenship and humanity through his tireless work building bridges in the Asian-American community and educating people. He will long be remembered for his work as a leader and organizer of the Indian-American community; and

WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil was born in the village of Keezhoor in the Indian state of Kerala. In 1956, He came to Chicago to study at Loyola University, where an uncle, a priest, was also studying. In 1959, his wife, Annamma, joined him in Chicago, briefly leaving their children in India. In 1964, she and their daughter Ann, who was born in Chicago, returned to India. Kalayil followed in 1965 to teach and be the Librarian at St. John's Medical College in Bangalore. In 1967 Philip and Annamma decided to make the United States their home and to raise their family in Chicago. The two (2) raised extraordinarily accomplished children who have each continued the family's proud legacy of commitment to community service; and

WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil's career was multidimensional but shared a common theme with his community service; in each he guided people to achieve their potential. He taught at a local business college briefly before going to work as a social worker for Catholic Charities in Chicago. In 1970, he went to work for the city of Chicago in its Department of Human Services. He was assistant director of emergency services with the department when he retired; and

WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil worked to bridge gaps between Asian-American groups divided by ethnicity, religion, and socio-economic levels. He brought those diverse groups together and helped them thrive and encouraged them to become active citizens. He is widely credited with having successfully organized an Indian Independence Day celebration in which over one thousand people participated. The success of the event was a turning point and helped launch the Indo-American Democratic Organization which is still going strong, decades later; and

WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil was a respected community leader throughout his life. His deeply held religious beliefs led him to establish the Indian Catholic Association of America. He helped start the Indo-American Democratic Organization and the Asian Forum to empower people to register to vote and to make their opinions heard. His wisdom, compassion and political aptitude made him a major force for good in the community; and

WHEREAS, Philip Kalayil's many accomplishments were routinely singled out for distinction and appreciation. His leadership and bridge-building was recognized by the Association for Asian American Studies, when they awarded him their Heart of Asian America Community Award in 2008; and

WHEREAS, the impact felt by the loss of Philip Kalayil is significant and has left a tremendous void in the community. His loss will be felt most acutely by his wife Annamma and his children: Tom, Sales and Ann, his sisters, Sister St. John Kalayil, Sister Dominic Savio Kalayil and Tresia; eight (8) grandchildren; and ten (10) great-grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on Behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County commemorates the extraordinary life of Philip Kalayil, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable contributions he has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; and

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 Philip Kalayil that his memory may be so honored

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**17-2812
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE LARRY SUFFREDIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE
AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING THE NORTHWESTERN WILDCATS ON THEIR EXCEPTIONAL SEASON

WHEREAS, the Northwestern University (NU) Wildcats have been playing basketball since 1904. The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) men's basketball tournament has existed, in some form or another, since 1939 when NU hosted the first NCAA Division 1 men's basketball tournament in Patten Gymnasium; and

WHEREAS, this year the Northwestern University Wildcats made their first NCAA tournament appearance in school history; and

WHEREAS, Northwestern has a one of the best coaches in the NCAA. Chris Collins is a former Duke guard and Duke assistant who came to Evanston in 2013. In his fourth year he won twenty-four games, which is more than any other NU team in history. Collins currently has a .549 career winning percentage and that is the first ever for a coach who has spent more than two (2) years at Northwestern and was named one of four (4) finalists for Naismith Men's Coach of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Coach Chris Collins is a past Mr. Illinois Basketball 1992. Each year the Illinois Mr. Basketball award is given to the person chosen as the best high school basketball player in state of Illinois and is the highest honor to be achieved by a high school player in the state of Illinois. He played the final game of his high school career at Welsh Ryan Arena, the same arena where he currently coaches his winning team; and

WHEREAS, the Northwestern University Wildcats earned the team's first NCAA tournament win with a 68-66 victory over Vanderbilt in the first round; and

WHEREAS, the Northwestern University Wildcats won six consecutive Big Ten games for the first time since the 1932-33 season; and

WHEREAS, the Northwestern University Wildcats advanced to the semifinals of the Big Ten tournament for the first time in program history; and

WHEREAS, the Northwestern University Wildcats have three players who earned All-Big Ten recognition. Junior guard Bryant McIntosh was a consensus second-team all-league pick, while Scottie Lindsey was named by the league's head coaches to the third team and honorable mention by the media. In addition, redshirt sophomore Vic Law was selected by the coaches to the five-member All-Defensive Team; and

WHEREAS, the Northwestern University Wildcats earned a top-25 ranking in the Associated Press poll for first time since the 2009-10 season.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County takes great pleasure in honoring and celebrating the winning season of the Northwestern University Wildcats; and

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 Northwestern University Wildcats.

Approved and adopted this 11th of April 2017.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the meeting do now adjourn to meet again at the same time and same place on June 6, 2017, in accordance with County Board Resolution 16-4645.

The motion prevailed and the meeting stood adjourned.


