



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY
Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

Second Consent Agenda

for the

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, April 29, 2015, 11:00 AM

15-3073

Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, County Commissioner, TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, County Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

MARY WAGNER, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Mary Wagner from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Mary Wagner was the beloved wife of the late Walter; and

WHEREAS, Mary Wagner was the loving mother of Michael (Karen) Wagner; and

WHEREAS, Mary Wagner was the beloved daughter of the late Michael and Neda Biocic; and

WHEREAS, Mary Wagner was the dear Baba of Charles and Danielle; and

WHEREAS, Mary Wagner was the loving sister of the late Sylvester "Charlie" Biocic; and

WHEREAS, Mary Wagner was the fond aunt and godmother of many; and

WHEREAS, Mary Wagner touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew her; and

WHEREAS, all who knew her will attest that Mary Wagner 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; and

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 and many friends of Mary Wagner, 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 same be tendered to the family of Mary Wagner so that her memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

15-3075

Sponsored by: STANLEY MOORE, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF KAREN POOLE

WHEREAS, On Sunday, March 8, 2015, God in His own way and in His infinite wisdom called to His eternal reward Karen Poole; and

WHEREAS, Karen Poole was born in Chicago, Illinois on October 23, 1962 to Robert Brown, Jr. and Ruby McCruel; and

WHEREAS, Karen Poole had a passion for public service and dedicated her career towards educating and mentoring youth that have special needs and challenges; and

WHEREAS, Karen Poole will forever be remembered for her service in the Chicago Public Schools as an educator at the Ray Graham Training Center High School, where she had a positive influence in the lives of students confronted with moderate to severe disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Karen Poole courageously fought a twenty three year battle with brain cancer; and through her resilience and perseverance, Karen was an inspiration to all those who knew her; and

WHEREAS, On April 12, 1996, Karen married Lester Poole, Sr. and they enjoyed twenty two happy years together, separated only by her transition from this earthly life on March 8, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Karen Lewis dearly loved her family and friends; she was always full of life and recognized as a beautiful person with a great personality that was always willing to help others no matter the occasion; her loving and caring spirit will be missed by all that knew her.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Cook County Board President and Commissioners of the Cook County Board, will gather together on the 29th Day of April, 2015 A.D., to express their honor and sorrow on the passing of Karen Poole, and will extend to her family, friends, and community their sincere condolences; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution will be prepared and presented to the family of Karen Poole.

15-3076

Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, County Commissioner, TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, County Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

MICHAEL KAMBEROS, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Michael Kamberos from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Michael Kamberos was the beloved husband of Polixeni “Xenia” nee Lomvardia; and

WHEREAS, Michael Kamberos was the loving son of the late Nicholas and Panoria; and

WHEREAS, Michael Kamberos was the dearest brother of Helen (Andrew) Buhelos, Jane (Nicholas) Collias, Peter N. (Maria Pappas), Constance, Angelo, Irene (Alex) Kantas and the late George, Dorothy Kamberos, Georgia (the late William) Christy and George (Susan) Kamberos; and

WHEREAS, Michael Kamberos was the dear uncle of many nieces and nephews; and

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

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that Michael Kamberos 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

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 and many friends of Michael Kamberos, 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 same be tendered to the family of Michael Kamberos so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished...end

15-3089

Sponsored by: STANLEY MOORE, County Commissioner, TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, County Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING STEPHANIE STINSON ON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2015, Stephanie Stinson retired from the Cook County Sheriff's Office after thirty years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Stephanie Stinson embarked on an outstanding career in law enforcement to protect and maintain the safety, welfare, and public order for the people of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Stinson worked sixteen years as a Supervisor in court services at the Chicago Police Department stations at 51st Street, 111th Street, 11th Street, and 63rd Street and also as a Silver Process Officer serving summons and orders of protection; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Stinson worked fourteen years as a Deputy Sherriff patrolling the Cook County Building on the midnight shift; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Stinson's career exemplifies a standard of excellence, and her exceptional commitment and service to the Cook County Sherriff's Office is commendable and admirable. Throughout her thirty year career, Stephanie was always well liked by her colleagues, and recognized for her professionalism and hard work; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Stinson plans to enjoy her retirement spending time at the Botanical Gardens smelling fresh flowers and taking art painting classes; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Stinson is dearly loved by her family, friends, and colleagues. Stephanie is admired and respected by all who know her and she will be sorely missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, Commissioner Stanley Moore, and the entire Board of Commissioners congratulate Stephanie Stinson for her dedicated years of service and wish her a long and enjoyable retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution will be presented to Stephanie Stinson as evidence of the esteem in which she is held.

15-3112

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, County Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING MAY AS ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, Cook County is a diverse community of more than five million people with ancestries from all parts of the world; and

WHEREAS, the more than 300,000 Asian American residents of Cook County have contributed significantly to the development of our neighborhoods and cities; and

WHEREAS, Asians, along with Irish immigrants and African Americans among others, constructed and operated the transcontinental railroads that passed through Cook County and provided the basis for our county's economic strength as a transportation center; and

WHEREAS, Cook County is home to Asian American veterans who fought heroically for our nation through many of her conflicts in the 20th century, including Filipinos who, alongside soldiers from Maywood, Illinois, survived the Bataan Death March in the Philippines during World War II, and Japanese Americans of the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Teams who served our nation with the highest military honors despite being designated for internment in American concentration camps on the west coast; and

WHEREAS, Asian American immigrants have made--and continued to make--tremendous efforts in professional fields such as medicine, engineering, education, accounting and chemistry; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans, both native born and naturalized immigrants, are making strides in a wider range of professional fields including government, the arts, journalism, the legal profession, athletics, international trade, higher learning and the entertainment industry; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans are among the ranks of elected and appointed officials at the state and national level, and are helping to shape the future of our nation and society; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans are among the ranks of both elected and appointed officials at the local level including Chicago Alderman Ameya Pawar of the 47th Ward; and Cook County Judges Rena Van Tine, Sanjay Tailor, Israel Desierto, Maria Kuriakos Ciesil, Neera Walsh, Ketki Steffen, Pamela

Leeming, Skokie Park District Commissioner Jerry Clarito, Morton Grove Library Board member Bert Calimag, former Lincolnwood Mayor Peter Moy,

WHEREAS, the Honorable Joseph Tecson, former Cook County Board Commissioner, served as the first Asian American Cook County Commissioner from 1977-1982; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans are in key positions in the news, entertainment and social media industries as co-founders of firms such as Yahoo, YouTube, Sun Microsystems; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans are a major force in various business and education sectors; and

WHEREAS, Asian American athletes, and Asian athletes in America are excelling individually and are leading national sports teams and American professional sports teams to Olympic medals and world championships; and

WHEREAS, Cook County employs the largest number and percentage of Asian Americans in any governmental workforce in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Cook County values the diversity of the Asian American community and has sought out the advice of Asian Americans in Cook County and has convened the first ever, Cook County Asian American Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, Asian American Heritage Month provides Cook County an opportunity to restate its firm stand against any and all discrimination on the basis of race, creed or national origin in Cook County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners declare the month of May as Asian American Heritage Month in Cook County, and urge all residents and groups to participate in the events sponsored by Asian American organizations throughout the month of May.

15-3116

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

COMMEMORATING THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE AND MEMORY OF ROBERT MCCLORY

WHEREAS, groundbreaking journalist, writer, former Catholic priest and award winning journalism professor, Robert McClory died at the age of 82 leaving behind countless students, friends, family and a community profoundly enriched for having known him; and

WHEREAS, Robert McClory was born in Chicago and grew up on the Southwest Side. After graduating from Archbishop Quigley Preparatory Seminary he attended the University of Saint Mary of the Lake, where he earned bachelors and master's degrees as well as a licentiate of sacred theology; and

WHEREAS, Robert McClory was ordained as a Roman Catholic priest and began his life as a priest in Winnetka. He later became an associate pastor at Saint Sabina on the South Side of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, while at Saint Sabina, Robert McClory met Sister Margaret McComish, the parish school's new principal; the two immediately formed a strong bond, a bond that would dramatically change the trajectory of both of their lives and bring them immeasurable happiness. After the church released the two from their Catholic vows, Robert and Margaret married and later had a daughter, Jennifer; and

WHEREAS, after changing his focus from the priesthood to journalism, Robert McClory attended Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism; and

WHEREAS, later, Robert McClory taught journalism full-time. He was a treasured professor and was chosen to judge countless journalism competitions. Robert McClory's teaching was singled out for distinction when he was given the Excellence in Teaching Award from the Northwestern University Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, McClory was a prolific writer. He freelanced for many publications, including the Chicago Reader, Chicago Magazine, U.S. Catholic, Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun-Times, Catholic Digest, Student Lawyer, Illinois Times and Chicago Lawyer. His book "As It Was in the Beginning: The Coming Democratization of the Catholic Church" won an award from the Catholic Press Association. For over twenty-two years he was an esteemed contributor to the National Catholic Reporter; and

WHEREAS, Robert McClory was a tireless supporter of racial equality. As a reporter for the Chicago

Daily Defender he covered the racial tension that was and is the City of Chicago. The subject of race relations and the Catholic Church was a common theme in nearly all of the nine books he authored. His first novel, *The Man Who Beat Clout City* featured the struggle of an African American cop taking on the Chicago political machine. He later wrote a book about Saint Sabina's outspoken pastor, his long-time friend Reverend. Michael Pflieger, entitled, "Radical Disciple: Father Pflieger, St. Sabina Church and the Fight for Social Justice."; and

WHEREAS, Robert McClory was also a playwright, he co-wrote a play entitled "Haunted by God: The Life of Dorothy Day," about the co-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement; and

WHEREAS, Robert McClory will long be remembered as a tireless iconoclast. His was an often dissenting voice in the Catholic Church, challenging the papal birth control commission and the church's doctrine of infallibility. He was a frequent and respectful critical of the church he once served; and

WHEREAS, a strong supporter of the Second Vatican Council, Robert McClory was dedicated to church reform, he founded the Catholic Chicago-based reform group Call to Action which grew into a national movement of Catholics focused on justice and inclusion; and

WHEREAS, Robert McClory's loss will be most acutely felt by his wife Margaret, their daughter Jennifer McClory, her partner Sarah Klein and their daughter Rose Klein McClory; and

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 life of Robert McClory, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the 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 Robert McClory.