



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

Consent Agenda

for the

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, September 14, 2016, 11:00 AM

16-4754

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CAPITAL PLANNING AND POLICY FOR BEING AWARDED THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES “2016 ACHIEVEMENT AWARD”

WHEREAS, the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy’s mission is to develop and provide day-to-day oversight of the County’s Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Cook County facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy is responsible for setting forth the plan for design, construction and renovation of County buildings and building systems; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy also remains focused on initiatives to reduce energy and natural resource usage by completing energy efficiency upgrades and executing guaranteed performance contracts that are aimed at ensuring County facilities are operating economically and ecologically to the greatest reasonable extent; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy recently has been awarded the National Association of Counties (NACo) *2016 Achievement Award* for the program entitled, “Guaranteed Energy Performance Contracting (GEPC)”; and

WHEREAS, this innovative fiscal solution, with endorsement of President Preckwinkle and the County Board of Commissioners, addresses facility conditions and building performance, establishing Cook County’s leadership role in national, state and regional sustainability efforts; and

WHEREAS, in July of 2012, the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy adopted sustainability goals to reduce energy and water consumption and decrease emissions from its municipal facilities; and

WHEREAS, the GEPC projects target building energy use which is the single largest contributor of Greenhouse Gas Emissions; and

WHEREAS, at \$60M, it is the largest single-phase performance contracting project ever undertaken by a County with an estimated project savings of 20% reduction in energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions and \$4.1M in guaranteed annual utility savings; and

WHEREAS, the “Guaranteed Energy Performance Contracting” program was also achieved through innovation and collaboration across multiple agencies and stakeholders in order to focus on the best-interest of the County, its tax-payers and residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate Phil Boothby, Department Director, Tony Dover, Energy Manager, and the entire staff of the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy, for their receipt of this distinguished national award; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body in appreciation of the outstanding work performed by the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy in the course of performing its duties needed to keep all Cook County properties functioning efficiently and effectively.

16-4779

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE CLEAR RIDGE BASEBALL TEAM’S SENIOR LEAGUE WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2016, the Clear Ridge Baseball Team became the first team from Illinois to win the Senior League World Series in the 55 year history of the event; and

WHEREAS, the 16 players on the Clear Ridge Baseball Team’s roster all live on the South Side of Chicago in the Garfield Park and Clearing neighborhoods and have played baseball together for over a decade; and

WHEREAS, the 16 players on the Clear Ridge Baseball Team’s roster all attend Catholic high schools on the South Side of Chicago, including St. Laurence, St. Rita, De La Salle, Marist and Nazareth; and

WHEREAS, throughout the last decade the players on the Clear Ridge Baseball Team have developed leadership skills, learned the value of teamwork and self-discipline, and enjoyed the unique recreational spirit offered to participants and spectators alike in the great American pastime of baseball; and

WHEREAS, the Clear Ridge Baseball Team won the right to represent the U.S. Central Region in the Senior League World Series; and

WHEREAS, the Clear Ridge Baseball Team defeated teams from Virginia, Spain and Puerto Rico en route to the Championship Game of the Senior League World Series; and

WHEREAS, the Clear Ridge Baseball Team defeated Australia by a score of 7-2 in a hard fought championship game played in Bangor, Maine that was nationally televised; and

WHEREAS, the players and coaches of the Clear Ridge Baseball Team have consistently and diligently worked toward the goal of winning the Senior League World Series and in the process they have brought great joy to their community and the City of Chicago; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, that the Board does hereby extend its congratulations to the players and coaches of the Clear Ridge Baseball Team for winning the Senior League World Series, and offers its best wishes for continued success for the players and coaches, and be it

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a ceremonial copy of same be presented to the Clear Ridge Baseball Team, as a token of appreciation from a grateful community.

16-4786

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

MARGARET COLEMAN, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman was the beloved wife of the late John M. Coleman M.D.; and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman was the loving mother of John (Rose), Michael (Franny), Thomas (Mikey), Timothy (Patricia), Maureen (Michael) Kelly, Maribeth (Brian) Rice, Margaret (William) Cahill, Terrence (Karen), Patricia (Patrick) Griffin, Richard (Molly), David, Diane (Richard) Morris, Cathleen (David) Loch and Daniel (Bridget) Coleman; and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman was the cherished grandmother of 48 grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman was the dear great-grandmother of 14 great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman was the loving sister of the late Elizabeth (the late Phillip) Cullen and the late Harry (Shirley) O’Connell; and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman was a graduate of Little Flower Grammar School (1938), Mercy High School (1942) and St. Xavier School of Nursing B.S.N. (1946); and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman was a longtime resident of the Beverly community; and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew her; and

WHEREAS, all who knew her will attest that Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman 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 of Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman, 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 Margaret M. “Marge” Coleman so that her memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

16-4789

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

COLLEEN M. O’SHEA, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Colleen M. O’Shea from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Colleen M. O’Shea was the beloved wife of the Daniel J. O’Shea for 57 years; and

WHEREAS, Colleen M. O’Shea was the loving mother of Annie Laurie O’Shea, Matthew (Cara), Michael, Maura (Joseph) McCarthy and the late Baby Daniel O’Shea; and

WHEREAS, Colleen M. O’Shea was the cherished grandmother of Brigid, Patrick, Eileen, Cate and Colleen; and

WHEREAS, Colleen M. O’Shea was the loving sister of Maura Smith, Rosemary Garrett and the late Joyce Stapleton and Capt. William C. Smith U.S.N.; and

WHEREAS, Colleen M. O’Shea was the fond sister-in-law of Mary Stiemann, Kay McNamara and the late Joan Baldwin and Jeremiah O’Shea; and

WHEREAS, Colleen M. O’Shea was the devoted daughter of the late Capt. William, C.P.D. and Lenore Hallinan Smith; and

WHEREAS, Colleen M. O’Shea was a graduate of St. Sabina Grammar School (1950) and Longwood Academy of Our Lady (1954); and

WHEREAS, Colleen M. O'Shea was a longtime resident of the Beverly community and an active member of Christ the King Roman Catholic Parish; and

WHEREAS, Colleen M. O'Shea touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew her; and

WHEREAS, all who knew her will attest that Colleen M. O'Shea 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 of Colleen M. O'Shea, 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 Colleen M. O'Shea so that her memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

16-4795

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN, JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, and LUIS ARROYO JR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING GUS W. RICKETTE, SR. ON HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY

WHEREAS, Gus W. Rickette, Sr. was born on August 11, 1926 in Leland, Mississippi. At age 16 he married Mary Robertson. At 17, he boarded a train to Chicago with the intention of securing a good job with the railroad and;

WHEREAS, after sending for Mary and the kids, he spent the next 15 years working as a janitor, a brick layer and hanging nets in a laundry. Mary worked in the factories and held clerical jobs and;

WHEREAS, in March 1962, Gus, Mary and a friend took a leap of faith and opened their first business G&G Chicken Shack at 135 S. Pulaski. G&G was the first chicken shack on the West Side. People would stand in line for an hour to place their orders and;

WHEREAS, over the next few years, they saw much growth in their business. It was in 1968, that finally they opened the first Uncle Remus Chicken at 5611 W. Madison Street while Gus continued to operate as many as 8 businesses and;

WHEREAS, Uncle Remus is a 50-year-old historical institution representing Chicago's West Side. A true family business, all of the Rickettes' 12 children worked in the family businesses at some point. Gus and Mary retired from the day-to-day operations in 1991. They appointed their youngest child, Charmaine Rickette Alfred, to manage their flagship restaurant on West Madison. She now serves as the company's president and CEO and;

WHEREAS, Gus served in United States Army and was a founding board member for the West Side Business Association. He is not only a pioneer in business, but a pioneer in philanthropy. He believes, to whom much has been given, much is required. He has generously supported the community through donations of food and service. He has financially supported and nurtured the dreams of others and;

WHEREAS, Uncle Remus has worked with multiple city, state, and civic organizations including The Safer Foundation, Matthew House, Debra's Place and the Illinois Department of Corrections, offering second chances to former inmates and displaced persons as they transition back into the workforce and;

WHEREAS, the compassion and spirit of the Uncle Remus Brand also includes community outreach in the form of engagement and donations to community block clubs, events and non-profit organizations. Twenty-five years ago the Rickettes and Uncle Remus teamed up with the Comic Relief Organization through partnership with the Northwest Chicagoland Electrical Union to feed homeless families during the holiday season. To date Uncle Remus has served more than 9,000 meals through this endeavor and;

WHEREAS, Gus is a loyal resident of Chicago's West Side and is planning his next business venture. He enjoys spending time with his children and grandchildren;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that Gus Rickette Sr. is to be congratulated on the occasion of his 90th birthday and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sincere appreciation of the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners is to be extended to Gus Rickette for his contributions to his community and Cook County.

16-4839

Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

OSCAR D'ANGELO, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Oscar D'Angelo from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Oscar D'Angelo was the dear husband of Paula (nee Grespan); and

WHEREAS, Oscar D'Angelo was the beloved son of the late Luigi and Linda (nee DeLuca) D'Angelo; and

WHEREAS, Oscar D'Angelo was the loving brother of the late infant Ovidio and the late Dino J. D'Angelo; and

WHEREAS, Oscar D'Angelo was the loving uncle to many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews; and

WHEREAS, Oscar D'Angelo was a very active and engaged advocate for his beloved Little Italy neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, in 1960 Oscar D'Angelo was appointed Chairman of the Near West Side Conservation Community Council, and

WHEREAS, Oscar D'Angelo served on the governing boards of St. Mary's High School for Girls, Columbus-Cuneo-Cabrini Hospital, Duncan YMCA, United Cerebral Palsy Foundation and the local Selective Service Board of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, Oscar D'Angelo was a co-founder and board member of the Chicago Architecture Foundation, Preservation Illinois, and Friends of the Parks; and

WHEREAS, Oscar D'Angelo helped lead the efforts to save and restore three imperiled Catholic churches Holy Family, Our Lady of Pompeii and Notre Dame of Chicago in his neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Oscar D'Angelo was awarded the 2005 Joseph Cardinal Bernardin Humanitarian Award by the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans; and

WHEREAS, Oscar D'Angelo, touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that, Oscar D'Angelo, 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 of Oscar D'Angelo 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 Oscar D'Angelo, so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

16-4893

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING FIRE CHIEF GREG KLAIBER ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE EVANSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Chief Greg Klaiber will retire from the Evanston Fire Department on September 14, 2016 after serving the community for over thirty-one years as a fire fighter; and

WHEREAS, Chief Klaiber is a longtime Evanston resident and a proud graduate of Evanston Township High School. He rose through the ranks from Firefighter to Paramedic and was later promoted to Captain, Division Chief, and Deputy Chief before being selected to become Evanston’s Fire Chief; and

WHEREAS, Chief Klaiber has served with distinction as the Chief of the Evanston Fire Department over six years; and

WHEREAS, Chief Greg Klaiber holds a Master’s Degree in Cardiac Rehabilitation from Northeastern Illinois University and a Bachelor’s Degree in Exercise Physiology from the University of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Chief Klaiber’s ties and commitment to the city of Evanston are as multifaceted as they are deep. In addition to his commitment to the safety of the citizens of Evanston, he was a member of the Board of Education of the Evanston/Skokie School District 65 from 1999 to 2003, he is a trustee of the Evanston Fourth of July Association, and was an active participant in Evanston’s Youth Baseball Association; and

WHEREAS, during his lengthy career Chief Greg Klaiber has earned the respect, admiration and appreciation of the citizens as well as the fire department; and

WHEREAS, according to Evanston Mayor Elizabeth Tisdahl “Chief Klaiber created and led an exceptionally talented fire department, kept his hometown safe and made us all proud. It's been an honor and a pleasure to work with him”; 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 takes great pleasure in honoring Chief Greg Klaiber on his retirement and herewith honors and thanks him for all that he has done bettering the lives of 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 Greg Klaiber on the occasion of his retirement.

16-5062

Sponsored by: TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE POPLAR CREEK LIBRARY

WHEREAS, the year 1966 the Poplar Creek Library was originally known as the Streamwood library and was created after a successful referendum passed establishing the Streamwood Public Library District; and

WHEREAS, originally located in a store front in the Hillside Shopping Center at 20 West Streamwood Boulevard and remained there until 1975; and

WHEREAS, in the years 1972 through 1973 the Streamwood library was remodeled making room for the addition of materials from the closed Hanover Park library; and

WHEREAS, in year 1973 a Poplar Creek Public Library District was established, it encompassed most of Streamwood and Hanover Park; and

WHEREAS, from 1976 -1978 a new library was constructed to replace the existing library and was named “The Poplar Creek Library” which was built on donated land at 1405 South Park in Streamwood, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, in March 1978 the Streamwood Library’s 30,000 books and other materials were moved from the older building to the new Poplar Creek Library; and

WHEREAS, had the capability of housing 210,000 books and was expected to be big enough for the community for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, in the year 1979 children’s services had begun to add Spanish-language easy readers; and

WHEREAS, in 1980 the library received its official designation as a selective government documents depository; and

WHEREAS, in 1981 the land across Park Avenue from the library was purchased for use of an expanded parking lot; and

WHEREAS, in the year 1985 - one Apple Computer was donated to the library for the public to use and now in 2016 there are one hundred and twenty nine computers for public use in the library; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Citizens/outreach services began in 1987which provided books to the local senior centers and formed senior citizens book discussion groups; and

WHEREAS, in the year 1990 the first online catalog for public use is introduced; and

WHEREAS, a Poplar Creek Library Branch at 4300 Audrey Ln. in Southern Hanover Park opened in 1991; and

WHEREAS, now the year being 2016 the Poplar Creek library and its branch library has added government documents reference, talking books, children's services, video collections, a news bank, young adult services and multi-function meeting rooms; and

WHEREAS, from a circulation of nearly 6,000 items per month in 1973, today the library is currently circulating over 30,000 items per month; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President of the Board along with the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate the Poplar Creek Public Library District on its 50th Anniversary and for the important and commendable service it provides to Streamwood Illinois and the surrounding communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and a ceremonial copy be given to the Poplar Creek Public Library District in commemoration of this auspicious occasion.

16-5064

Sponsored by: TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE STREAMWOOD PARK DISTRICT

WHEREAS, on May 28, 1966 an election was held to establish the Streamwood Park District and elect five Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Hal S. Salter, Elaine Lewandowski, Merle A. Bonora Jr., John D. McDonald, and Donald R. Bruhns were the first to be elected to the Streamwood Park District's Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, and on June 15, 1966 the first official meeting was held at the Fire Hall on Cyprus Drive; and

WHEREAS, Merle A. Bonora became the first President, and Hall Salter became the first Vice President to the newly formed Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, in December 1966 the Streamwood Park District purchased the Nesbitt property, known now as Shady Oaks Park where the Park District administrative building sits today; and

WHEREAS, the Streamwood Park District's mission is to provide diverse and responsive recreational opportunities that enhance the quality of the community through their parks services, employees and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Streamwood Park District consist of 46 parks and multiple facilities that provide a wide variety of recreational programs experiences services and activities for the whole family; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, the Streamwood Park District purchased the Hoosier Grove Barn, from the Landmeir family and committed to the preservation of this farmstead, the Board of Commissioners decided to restore the barn and surrounding buildings; and

WHEREAS, these buildings included, an original one room schoolhouse, horse barn and a farmhouse; and

WHEREAS, in the mid 1990's the 2,000 square foot barn was transformed into a banquet and meeting room facility which is operated by the Streamwood Park District while still holding to its historical preservation; and

WHEREAS, the character of the original structure has been retained, the barn offers unique settings for a variety of different events; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President of the Board along with the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate the Streamwood Park District on its 50th Anniversary and for the important and commendable service it provides to Streamwood, Illinois and the surrounding communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and a ceremonial copy be given to the Streamwood Park District in commemoration of this auspicious occasion.

16-5099

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President) and JERRY BUTLER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING DR. CLAUDIA FEGAN ON BEING NAMED ONE OF MODERN HEALTHCARE'S TOP MINORITY EXECUTIVES TO WATCH

WHEREAS, Dr. Fegan is the Executive Medical Director of the Cook County Health and Hospitals System; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Fegan also serves as President of the Board of Directors for the Health and Medicine Policy Research Group; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Claudia Fegan received her medical degree from the University of Illinois Abraham Lincoln College of Medicine in 1982; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Fegan joined Cook County in 2000 as the Director of the outpatient clinic at Provident Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Fegan has helped the Cook County Health and Hospitals System transform with her hands-on approach to medicine and her expert knowledge in health care policy and reform; and

WHEREAS, *Modern Healthcare*, a business publication targeting executives in the healthcare industry, biennially seeks to recognize minority executives in healthcare. This year, they introduced a new distinction, Minority Executives to Watch, which recognizes rising minority professionals in managerial/executive level positions; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Claudia Fegan was named one of *Modern Healthcare's* Ten Minority Executives to Watch in 2016; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her clinical role at CCHHS, *Modern Healthcare* recognized Dr. Fegan for her work as national Coordinator for Physicians for a National Health Program, a research, advocacy and education organization and as co-author of *Universal Healthcare: What the United States can Learn from Canada*; and

WHEREAS, in receiving this award, Dr. Fegan was recognized by her peers as a role model and mentor, whose work has had significant, positive impact on healthcare policy and care delivery models across the country; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners extend congratulations and best wishes to Dr. Claudia Fegan, on being named one of *Modern Healthcare's* Top Minority Executives to Watch; 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 Dr. Claudia Fegan in recognition of her achievement.

16-5122

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President) and JERRY BUTLER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING DR. KENYA KEY ON HER RECEIPT OF THE CHICAGO DEFENDER "WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE" AWARD

WHEREAS, Dr. Kenya Key received her Doctor of Psychology degree from Pepperdine University in 2004; and

WHEREAS, after graduating, Dr. Key held various positions as a mental health specialist, working closely with justice-involved populations in Cook County. Dr. Key worked as a staff psychologist at the Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center and served as a consulting psychologist for The Women's Treatment Center, amongst other work; and

WHEREAS, since 2014, Dr. Key has been the Chief of Psychology at the Cook County Health and Hospitals System’s Cermak Health Services at Cook County Jail. There, Dr. Key has done invaluable work, especially delivering mental health services to incarcerated women; and

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2016, Dr. Kenya Key was honored by the *Chicago Defender* as one of Fifty “Women of Excellence”. The *Chicago Defender* Women of Excellence Award is conferred annually to African American women in Chicago who inspire others through leadership, exceptional achievement, and community service; and

WHEREAS, by receiving this award, Dr. Kenya Key was recognized by her peers and by the Chicago community for her extraordinary strength and commitment to her profession and community; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners extend congratulations and best wishes to Dr. Kenya Key, on her richly deserved receipt of the *Chicago Defender* Women of Excellence Award; 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 Dr. Kenya Key in recognition of her achievement.

16-5124

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President) and JERRY BUTLER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING DR. SUJA MATHEW ON BEING RECOGNIZED BY CONGRESSMAN DANNY K. DAVIS AS ONE OF CHICAGOLAND’S TOP 10 OUTSTANDING WOMEN

WHEREAS, Dr. Suja Mathew received her medical degree from the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine in 1997 and has been serving the Cook County Health and Hospitals System (CCHHS)for 16 years in the Internal Medicine Department; and

WHEREAS, during her time at CCHHS Dr. Mathew has held numerous leadership positions and is currently the Chair of CCHHS’ Department of Internal Medicine. Dr. Mathew is also Governor-Elect of the American College of Physicians Illinois Chapter, Northern Region; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Danny K. Davis’ 7th Congressional District Multi-Ethnic Advisory Task Force annually celebrates the success of ethnic women in areas such as business, healthcare, education, and community service; and

WHEREAS, in March 2016, Dr. Mathew was honored as one of Chicagoland’s Top Ten Outstanding Women by Congressman Davis’ 7th Congressional District Multi-Ethnic Advisory Task Force; and

WHEREAS, by receiving this award, Dr. Suja Mathew was recognized as a distinguished community leader who is at the forefront of her profession and working to educate future physician leaders; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners extend warm congratulations and best wishes to Dr. Suja Mathew, on being recognized as one of Chicagoland's Top Ten Outstanding Women by Congressman Danny K. Davis' 7th Congressional District Multi-Ethnic Advisory Task Force, 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 Dr. Suja Mathew in recognition of her achievement.

16-5157

Sponsored by: PETER N. SILVESTRI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE NORWOOD PARK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ON ITS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the Norwood Park Fire Protection District was chartered on August 25, 1941, by Walter E. Schoenfeld and Walter Merkele; and

WHEREAS, the Norwood Park Fire Protection District services were first provided out of Schoenfeld's garage located at 4318 Ottawa, considered to be the first fire station; and

WHEREAS, in 1947, a partially burned Presbyterian Church was relocated to the corner of Montrose and Ottawa to serve in the updating of the first fire house. The new station was built around the Chief's garage with the church bell tower used to call out volunteers for fire alarms; and

WHEREAS, in 1954, an additional fire station was constructed at 7301 W. Lawrence in Harwood Heights; and

WHEREAS, the volunteer fire department was reorganized in 1958 as the Norwood Park Fire Protection District with Tobias Schaden (Norridge), Hubert Huening (Harwood Heights), and Lucien E. Bond (Norwood Park Township) serving as the first trustees; and

WHEREAS, on January 1, 1959, Walter E.Schoenfeld became the first full-time fire chief; and

WHEREAS, on February 1, 1961, the district went to 24-hour-a-day, full-time fire protection; the first full-time firefighters were Ed Jilka, Les Richards, Paul Schoenfeld, and Alan Campbell; and

WHEREAS, full-time paramedic service began in 1974, and the district was considered pioneers in the field of paramedics starting in 1978; and

WHEREAS, a new fire station opened in 1988 at 7447 W. Lawrence, consolidating both stations to better serve the communities; and

WHEREAS, the district has grown to 35 full-time firefighters and paramedics and is led by Fire Chief Kevin J. Stenson; and

WHEREAS, the district's 75th anniversary celebration culminated on August 27, 2016, with the unveiling of a towering granite monument that encases a piece of the World Trade Center wreckage from the 9/11 attacks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby honor the Norwood Park Fire Protection District as it celebrates its 75th Anniversary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a commemorative copy of this resolution be tendered to the Norwood Park Fire Protection District.

16-5165

Sponsored by: PETER N. SILVESTRI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING OUR LADY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH PARISH AS IT CELEBRATES ITS 50-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, in 1966, Archbishop John P. Cody established Our Lady, Mother of the Church (OLMC) as a parish in the Archdiocese of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, OLMC was the first parish Archbishop Cody built, and it is the last Catholic parish to be established within the City of Chicago limits; and

WHEREAS, during its first year, masses were held at Leigh School in Norridge and in a storefront at the strip mall at Lawrence and Cumberland; and

WHEREAS, the church was completed and mass was first celebrated in 1967 with Father Peter F. Hayes as the founding pastor; and

WHEREAS, the boundaries of the parish were originally River Road to the west, Thatcher Avenue to the east, Montrose Avenue to the south, and Bryn Mawr Avenue to the north, but today, the parish welcomes all, regardless of the location of their homes; and

WHEREAS, in 1983, Father Joseph F. Ognibene became pastor and oversaw the extensive renovation to the church; and

WHEREAS, when Father Joe retired in 1996, Father Daniel R. Fallon was appointed pastor. During his time, OLMC underwent yet another renovation in 2004, resulting in its present appearance; and

WHEREAS, in mid-2008, Father Rich Klajbor was appointed pastor. Father Rich became seriously ill, and in January, 2012, Father Jim O'Brien, pastor Emeritus of St. Eugene, was appointed Administrator of the parish; and

WHEREAS, Father Andrzej (Andrew) Bartosz was officially installed as pastor on September 30, 2012, by Bishop John Manz; and

WHEREAS, on Sunday, September 25, 2016, OLMC will celebrate “Taste & Toast to the OLMC Jubilee”; and

WHEREAS, the OLMC Jubilee event will be a social, cultural, and spiritual celebration honoring the diversity of the parish through ethnic food, dance, music, and more; and

WHEREAS, the Jubilee event will also celebrate a reunion mass at 11:00 a.m. on September 25 honoring those who received any of the sacraments at OLMC during the past fifty years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate Our Lady, Mother of the Church Parish as it celebrates its 50-Year Jubilee Anniversary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be tendered to OLMC on the occasion of its Jubilee signature event.

16-5166

Sponsored by: TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF BAPS SHRI SWAMINARAYAN SANTHA PRAMUKH SWAMI MAHARAJ

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2016, His Holiness Pramukh Swami Maharaj of the BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Santha departed from his physical body, at the pilgrimage place of Sarangpur, Gujarat; and

WHEREAS, Pramukh Swami Maharaj was born on December 7, 1921 to a humble farmer’s family in the small village of Chansad, near Vadodara in Gujarat; and

WHEREAS, Pramukh Swami Maharaj was the fifth spiritual successor in the guru parampara tradition of Bhagwan Swaminarayan; and

WHEREAS, His Holiness lead the Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS), a worldwide socio-spiritual organization in Consultative Status with Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, it is dedicated to community service, peace and harmony; and

WHEREAS, BAPS is motivated by Hindu principals, BAPS strives to care for the world by caring for societies, families and individuals through a number of social and spiritual activities, BAPS endeavors aim to produce better citizens of tomorrow who have a high esteem for their roots - their rich Hindu culture; and

WHEREAS, under the guidance and leadership of His Holiness Pramukh Swami Maharaj, BAPS worked to build a community that is morally, ethically and spiritually pure and free of addictions; and

WHEREAS, His Holiness has inspired six traditional Hindu Mandirs and hundreds of centers for worship and community service in North America; he has inspired millions of people while traveling across the world to lead a God - centered morally pure life; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, does hereby offer its deepest condolences and heartfelt sympathy to the BAPS Community and joins them in their sorrow at this time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of the Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered to the BAPS Community.

16-5203

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN and LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CALLING FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2016 TO BE DECLARED “CIVILITY WEEK”

WHEREAS, 70 percent of Americans believe that incivility in America has risen to crisis levels; and,

WHEREAS, the lack of civility in our national and local discourse threatens the foundations of our democracy; and

WHEREAS, our tone and level of civility has an impact on our children; and,

WHEREAS, incivility on social media has led to nearly a quarter of children becoming victims of cyber bullying; and

WHEREAS, incivility in the political rhetoric has increased in recent years; and

WHEREAS, 2016 has been a national election year in the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, all election years bring with them a special responsibility on the part of public officials to take extra care with their rhetoric and public statements; and,

WHEREAS, 2016 has proven to be unique among American election years in the willingness of certain candidates to employ extreme and caustic statements in an effort to galvanize public attention and interest; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has, in recent years, provided other governmental entities and the community at large with a fine example of collegial government and bipartisan cooperation, with plentiful examples of cooperation between members of both political parties; and

WHEREAS, policy debates in Chicago and Cook County including, but not limited to such subjects as law enforcement, race relations, gun violence, taxation, and economics, are extensively covered in local and national media; and

WHEREAS, the designation of the week of September 25, 2016, the last week of September, as “Civility Week,” is an appropriate and fitting way to call attention to the need to perpetuate positive and courteous relationships among elected officials, so that Cook County may continue to provide an example to other forms of government in the region, state, and nation and serve as an example for those we represent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that the week of September 25, 2016 is hereby declared “Civility Week,” and that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby lend their collective voices to the vital cause of civility in political discourse.

16-5214

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE OF ELIJAH SIMS

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2016, Elijah Sims, a resident of the 1st District of Cook County, and the Village of Oak Park, and a student at Oak Park River Forest High School, was tragically shot and killed in Chicago just two days before his 17th birthday; and

WHEREAS, Elijah Sims was born in Chicago, Illinois, on August 31, 1999 to Sharita Galloway and Calvin Galloway; and

WHEREAS, Elijah Sims was grew up in the 1st District of Cook County, on the West Side of Chicago, and attended school in Oak Park, where he was known by his fellow students at Oak Park River Forest High School for his sense of humor and his kindness; and

WHEREAS, Elijah Sims was a creative young man with a passion for the arts, who would compose and record his own original music; and

WHEREAS, Elijah Sims was a valued employee of Pete’s Fresh Market; and

WHEREAS, Elijah Sims’ ambition was to attend college and become a nurse; and

WHEREAS, Elijah Sims was a young man with big dreams and clear goals for his life; and

WHEREAS, Elijah Sims had made considerable progress toward achieving his goals and realizing his dreams; and

WHEREAS, the untimely and tragic passing of Elijah Sims underscores the urgent need for local, state and federal action to end the senseless and horrific epidemic of gun violence that continues to plague Chicago and Cook County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners honor the life of Elijah Sims; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners extend deepest sympathies and condolences to his family and many friends of Elijah Sims.

16-5216

Sponsored by: PETER N. SILVESTRI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

OFFERING CONDOLENCES AND SUPPORT TO THE PEOPLE OF ITALY SUFFERING FROM THE EARTHQUAKE OF AUGUST, 2016

WHEREAS, Central Italy suffered a 6.2-magnitude earthquake on August 24, 2016; and

WHEREAS, rescue workers have been working nonstop trying to find survivors buried in the rubble of the three towns that suffered most: Amatrice, the epicenter; Accumoli; and Arquata del Tronto; and

WHEREAS, medicine, medical supplies, food, lodgings, drones, robots, and much more are in dire need as the death toll has risen to 295; and

WHEREAS, nearly half-a-million Italian Americans call Chicago home, and many have family and friends impacted by the earthquake; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans (JCCIA), a congress of more than five dozen Italian-American organizations in the Chicago area, is teaming up with Volare Ristorante, The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii, and the Milan Committee of Chicago Sister Cities International to host the Italian Earthquake Relief Fundraising Luncheon at Volare Ristorante on September 17, 2016; and

WHEREAS, all of the funds raised at this event will be donated to the relief efforts; and

WHEREAS, the JCCIA is working with the Italian Consul General's office to direct relief funds to those hit the hardest; and

WHEREAS, a variety of Chicago's best Italian restaurants have created specials in honor of the region's famed recipes and are donating proceeds to the earthquake relief effort; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago will fly the Italian flag at designated locations throughout the city in honor of the victims.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby offer its deepest condolences and support to the people of Italy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners commends the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans and other local entities for their fundraising relief efforts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a ceremonial copy of this resolution to be tendered to Italian Consul General Finocchiaro as an expression of sympathy and solidarity with the Italian people.

16-5218

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING AND CONGRATULATING JOURNALIST ROBERT JORDAN ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Robert Jordan is known locally and regionally as the weekend anchor for WGN-TV's News at Nine; and

WHEREAS, Robert Jordan has served with distinction in that role for more than 20 years, performing an invaluable service to residents of Cook County and Chicagoland; and

WHEREAS, Robert Jordan joined WGN-TV as a general assignment reporter in 1973; and

WHEREAS, Robert Jordan also achieved distinction in the journalistic profession as the Midwest correspondent for the CBS Evening News with Walter Cronkite; and

WHEREAS, Robert Jordan reports, writes, and produces news for WGN-TV that informs, enhances, and enriches the lives of the citizens of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Robert Jordan has been a cornerstone of the news business in Chicago for 43 years; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, Robert Jordan was appointed the first journalist-in-residence at the University of Chicago's Careers in Journalism program; and

WHEREAS, Robert Jordan has also served his community as an advocate for families affected by Alzheimer's Disease, starting a production company that creates video legacies for affected individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, Robert Jordan has announced his retirement from WGN-TV, effective September 25, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that best wishes are to be extended to Robert Jordan 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 the Cook County Board of Commissioners is to be extended to Robert Jordan for his civic and journalistic contributions to the County of Cook.

16-5236

Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING THE 29TH ANNIVERSARY OF KEEP CHICAGO BEAUTIFUL

WHEREAS, in 1987, as part of the budding movement to address issues of sustainability, several companies including American National Can, Anheuser-Busch, Canfield's, Coca-Cola, International Sanitary Supply Association, Miller Brewing Company, Pepsi-Cola, 7UP, Waste Management and Wm. Wrigley Jr. Company came together to form Chicago Clean and Beautiful which would be the Chicago-area affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, and

WHEREAS, in 1988 the name of the organization was changed to Chicago Clean Streak with a goal of providing environmental education and community awareness with the help of funding from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs and the Chicago Community Trust, and

WHEREAS, Chicago Clean Streak provided the guidance on how community groups could improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods through clean-ups and graffiti removal, and it created the first guide to recycling at city festivals; and in 1996, the name of the organization was changed to Keep Chicago Beautiful, and

WHEREAS, from those humble beginnings inspired by the vision of its founders, Keep Chicago Beautiful has remained true to its mission of emphasizing education, community awareness, and working cooperatively to make Chicago a more healthy, prosperous, and beautiful place to live, and

WHEREAS, over the course of its 29 years as an organization, Keep Chicago Beautiful has provided thousands of public and parochial school teachers with the tools and resources they need to educate their students on the benefits of litter prevention, waste reduction, community greening, and recycling, and

WHEREAS, Keep Chicago Beautiful has been instrumental in launching effective recycling programs at popular neighborhood festivals throughout Chicago, thereby diverting tons of waste that would otherwise be destined for landfills, and

WHEREAS, over the years and throughout many changes, Keep Chicago Beautiful has proven itself as a highly respected and effective community organization, dedicated to its principles, faithful to its vision, and greatly valued for its positive impact on the environment, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County does hereby thank the staff and volunteers of Keep Chicago Beautiful, and offers our gratitude to its corporate partners for their generous support of the ongoing work to make Chicago one of the cleanest and greenest cities in the world; 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 Joyce Kagan Charmatz, President of Keep Chicago Beautiful, in commemoration of this occasion and in sincere appreciation of the important work done by Keep Chicago Beautiful in the effort to protect and preserve our environment.

16-5252

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

JERRY REINSDORF INDUCTION INTO THE NAISMITH MEMORIAL BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME

WHEREAS, on September 9th, 2016, Jerry Reinsdorf, owner and chairman of the Chicago Bulls, will be inducted, into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Reinsdorf was born in Brooklyn, New York on February 25, 1936, to Max and Marion Reinsdorf; and

WHEREAS, after completing high school Jerry Reinsdorf would earn his bachelor's degree from George Washington University in Washington D. C.; and would eventually move to Cook County to attend the Northwestern University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Reinsdorf began his professional career as a tax attorney with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). In 1964, he began his own private practice that he would eventually sell in favor of starting a real estate venture named Balcor. He would later sell Balcor as well; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Reinsdorf, as part of a group, purchased the Chicago Bulls as part of a syndicate for \$16M in 1985. He quickly increased attendance, and drafted a number of now-legendary players such as Horace Grant, John Paxson, Bill Cartwright, Scottie Pippen, and Michael Jordan. He would also sign Phil Jackson to replace Doug Collins as head coach in 1989; and

WHEREAS, under Jerry Reinsdorf's leadership the Chicago Bulls won six NBA Championships (1991, 1992, 1993, 1996, 1997, 1998), six Eastern Conference titles, and nine division titles; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Reinsdorf has also owned Major League Baseball's Chicago White Sox since 1981, and celebrated a World Series championship in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Reinsdorf will be enshrined in the Hall of Fame alongside the rest of the class of 2016 which includes: Allen Iverson, Shaquille O'Neal, Sheryl Swoopes, Cumberland Posey, Yao Ming, Zelmo Beaty, Tom Izzo, John McLendon and Darell Garretson; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Reinsdorf is married to Martyl Reinsdorf and they have four children: David (deceased), Susan, Michael and Jonathan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, do extend their most sincere congratulations to Jerry Reinsdorf on the occasion of his enshrinement in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

16-5268

Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

JOHN ARCHIBALD M.D., IN MEMORIAM

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

WHEREAS, John "Jack" Archibald was the dear husband of the late Mary Evelyn (nee Dietmeyer); and

WHEREAS, John "Jack" Archibald was the beloved son of the late Lyman W. Archibald and Mary Ellyn Archibald; and

WHEREAS, John "Jack" Archibald was the loving brother of Sr. Mary Doreen; and

WHEREAS, John "Jack" Archibald was the loving father of John (Helen Mueller), Mary Ellyn Fioti, Rita Marie, Joanne, Denise (the late Patrick) Heraty, Terese (Terry Tramel) Archibald, Lucile (Jules) Stanewicz, Karen, Geri (Richard) Brydon, Mark, the late Paul (Barbara Prendergast), James and Edmund Archibald; and

WHEREAS, John "Jack" Archibald was the loving grandfather of Beth, John, Rebecca, Alicia, Sara, Joseph, David, Arthur, Lisa Marie, Eugene, Loren, Matthew, Scott, Timothy, Devin, Clara, Duncan, Evan, Jeffrey, Anna, Ian and the late Jeremy; and

WHEREAS, John "Jack" Archibald was the dear great-grandfather of Alexander, Christopher, Heidi Jack, Karyn, Justin, Caleb, Christian, Isaac, Hayden, Trevor, Juliette, Maxwell and Evelyn; and

WHEREAS, John “Jack” Archibald was the dear great-great-grandfather of Maya, Oliver and Charlie; and

WHEREAS, John “Jack” Archibald was a Veteran of the U.S. Navy; and

WHEREAS, John “Jack” Archibald was an active member of St. Barnabas Parish since 1959 and was a member of the church choir; and

WHEREAS, John “Jack” Archibald was a board member of St. Catherine of Genoa Parish House Shelter and a member of Kiwanis Golden K; and

WHEREAS, John “Jack” Archibald served his community as physician throughout his life helping patients for over 55 years; and

WHEREAS, John “Jack” Archibald touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that , John “Jack” Archibald, 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; 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 of John “Jack” Archibald 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 “Jack” Archibald, so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

16-5269

Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

THE HONORABLE MARILOU VON FERSTEL, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Marilou Von Ferstel from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Marilou Von Ferstel was the beloved wife of Henry Von Ferstel; and

WHEREAS, Marilou Von Ferstel was the loving mother of Justine and James; and

WHEREAS, Marilou Von Ferstel was the cherished grandmother of six wonderful grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Marilou Von Ferstel was adopted and raised by Lusie and James McCarthy; and

WHEREAS, Marilou Von Ferstel grew up in the famous Edgewater Beach Hotel and lived in the city of Chicago her entire life; and

WHEREAS, Marilou Von Ferstel was one of the first women to work in the Chicago Tribune newsroom and became a columnist for the paper; and

WHEREAS, Marilou Von Ferstel became one of the first women elected Alderman in Chicago by winning a tightly contested race in the 48th Ward in 1970; and

WHEREAS, Marilou Von Ferstel served on the Zoning Board of Appeals, was a Director at Walgreens and a Life Trustee at Rush; and

WHEREAS, Marilou Von Ferstel was a founding member in 1979 of the Chicago Network of Professional Women and a member of the Commercial Club; and

WHEREAS, Marilou Von Ferstel touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew her; and

WHEREAS, all who knew her will attest that Marilou Von Ferstel 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 of Marilou Von Ferstel 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 Marilou Von Ferstel so that her memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

16-5276

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), JOHN P. DALEY, GREGG GOSLIN and BRIDGET GAINER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING THE 2016 WORLD IRISH DANCING CHAMPIONS THE SHEILA TULLY ACADEMY OF IRISH DANCE U13 CHOREOGRAPHY TEAM

WHEREAS, the Sheila Tully Academy of Irish Dance U13 Choreography Team was crowned World Champions at the 2016 World Irish Dancing Championship competition in Glasgow, Scotland in March 2016; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 World Irish Dancing Champions are Bella Elizabeth Chiarieri, Nora Cathleen Dettling, Caroline Charlotte Hagerty, Isabelle Danielle Hester, Eleanor Pontow Jackson, Kiley James Kozak, Hannah Mary Locke, Kylie Anne McGowan, Eva Fallon McHugh, Emma Louise Novy, Ava Grace Placio, Marissa Meixiu Recchia, Shannon Bailey Robson, Anne Catherine Shaughnessy, Cecelia Reddington Stefo, and Bridget Clare Vitu; and

WHEREAS, the World Championships is considered the Olympics of Irish Dancing drawing more than 5,000 elite competitors from all over the world including the USA, Canada, Ireland, Scotland and England, as well as far away countries such as Australia, Japan, South Africa, Mexico, China and Russia; and

WHEREAS, choreography consists of 16 dancers dancing approximately 4 minutes in length portraying a specific Irish historical or traditional story, event or theme; and

WHEREAS, teams were judged on the portrayal of the story thru dance, figure content, footwork and execution and teamwork and presentation; and

WHEREAS, the Sheila Tully Academy of Irish Dance was founded more than 50 years ago by Sheila Tully Driscoll and is highly regarded in the Irish Dance community; and

WHEREAS, Sheila Tully Driscoll is the longest tenured Irish dancing teacher in the Chicago area receiving her official Irish Dancing Teacher certification in 1972 and her official Irish Dancing Adjudication certification in 1976 and is a member of An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha, the governing body of Irish Dancing and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Tully Academy to build not only a strong body but a strong character in every student focusing on, self-esteem, confidence and discipline, encouraging them to succeed where they are challenged, and to build upon their successes. The Tully Academy teaches both the performance and the competitive aspect of Irish dancing including learning good sportsmanship, showmanship, and teamwork; and

WHEREAS, this award winning team is known for its talent, hard work, trust, support, dedication and respect for one and other; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate the 2016 World Irish Dancing Champions on their outstanding accomplishment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to each of the 2016 World Irish Dancing Champions and the Sheila Tully Academy of Irish Dance.

16-5278

Sponsored by: LUIS ARROYO JR, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS HUNGER ACTION MONTH IN COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, every year one in six of our neighbors receives food from the Greater Chicago Food Depository's network of pantries, soup kitchens and shelters throughout Cook County; and

WHEREAS, increasingly, the face of hunger is a person with a job, an older adult, a veteran or a child; and

WHEREAS, the health consequences of hunger affect the well-being of our community and limit the potential of our children; and

WHEREAS, September is Hunger Action Month, a 30-day nationwide campaign to raise awareness for hunger relief; and

WHEREAS, all Cook County residents are urged to join together to support Hunger Action Month by pledging to raise awareness for the fight against hunger in our community and by striving to improve the lives of their neighbors who struggle to put food on the table through generosity and service; and

WHEREAS, Cook County is committed to lending direct assistance to address food access inequalities; and

WHEREAS, as part of these efforts, the Cook County Health & Hospitals System (CCHHS) recognizes that the health of many of our patients are impacted by the lack of access to healthy and nutritious foods; and

WHEREAS, CCHHS is working to address this need by piloting a food insecurity screening program and connecting patients with food benefit programs and local resources; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and the Greater Chicago Food Depository launched the Cook County Food Access Plan: a two-year strategy to combat food insecurity and its impact on health, education and economic development, and

WHEREAS, with the help of the Chicago Food Depository's FRESH Truck, 7 clinics in Cook County are currently conducting food insecurity screenings, of which 5 are CCHHS sites, and

WHEREAS, in the past year, the Food Depository's FRESH Truck has distributed more than 90,000 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables at health care facilities in Cook County to 3,000 households, helping more than 11,000 individuals who struggle with food insecurity, and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners believes that no one should go hungry; and joins with the Greater Chicago Food Depository to support the fight to end hunger by wearing orange pins representing the official color of Hunger Action Month.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners, that the month of September shall be recognized as Hunger Action Month throughout Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Greater Chicago Food Depository in appreciation for their commitment to end hunger in Cook County.

16-5279

Sponsored by: LUIS ARROYO JR, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF OF CONCORDIA PLACE AND CONCORDIA CHILD CARE CENTER

WHEREAS, in 1981 a young pastor named Nicholas J. Zook took a position at Concordia Lutheran Church in Chicago's North Center community. Only days into the job, three single mothers, approached Pastor Zook looking for afterschool care for their young children; despite the fact that the mothers were not members of the church and had very little means, Pastor Zook agreed which led to an after-school program for 12 "latch-key kids"; it was at this moment that Concordia Place was born; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, the Concordia Child Care Center was expanded to include full-day preschool for children ages three to five; in 2001, Concordia Lutheran Church purchased a vacant church and school at 3300 N. Whipple St. and began fundraising and working with elected officials and community leaders to expand to serve more children and families in the Avondale community; in 2002, the Concordia Avondale Campus was created; in 2003, the Concordia Child Care Center was included in this new non-profit organization; in 2006, the Concordia Child Care Center opened, which expanded programs to infants and toddlers as well as teens, seniors, and adult learning programs; in 2009, the organization's name was changed to Concordia Place to reflect the multiple communities that they serve; in 2016, Concordia Day, a sister program, was launched with a social mission of strengthening Concordia Place and its mission; and

WHEREAS, Concordia Place is a vibrant non-profit organization that provides proactive solutions to key social needs; focusing on growth and opportunity to instill self-sufficiency and independence and serving low-income and working poor families through economically inclusive programs; and

WHEREAS, Concordia Place currently serves 800 young children, teens, adults, and seniors every year through numerous services, including Early Learning and pre-school care and education programs, School-Age 365 after-school and summer camp programs, teen leadership initiatives, resume preparation and career exploration services, free English as a Second Language classes, senior wellness programs, senior lift and transportation volunteer programs, service learning projects, ecology, nutrition, and culinary programs, and holistic services, among others; and

WHEREAS, the administration and staff of Concordia Place serve as models of hard work, integrity, and dedication for the people of Cook County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and members of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that this Board offers its deepest thanks and heartfelt congratulations to the staff of Concordia Place on the occasion of the 35th anniversary of the Concordia Child Care Center and the 10th anniversary of the Concordia Avondale Campus; 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 Brenda Swartz, Concordia Place's President and CEO and Pastor Nicholas Zook, Concordia Place's Board Chair in commemoration of this momentous occasion.

16-5282

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE 30th ANNIVERSARY OF MARY MARGARET CUNNIFF AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL ANTI-VIVISECTION SOCIETY

WHEREAS, Mary Margaret (Peggy) Cunniff has been the Executive Director of the National Anti-Vivisection Society (NAVS) for thirty years. She was instrumental in the development of the United States' first-ever "Declaration of the Rights of Animals," which acknowledged that all animals were entitled "to live free from human exploitation," which was co-signed by more than 40 animal advocacy organizations, and which was presented to Congressional leaders on the steps of Capitol Hill in Washington, DC; and

WHEREAS, under Cunniff's leadership, NAVS launched the Frog Fund, an initiative that she would then merge with the NAVS-supported Dissection Hotline to become the United States' first and largest resource for alternatives to the use of animals in classroom dissection; and

WHEREAS, Cunniff serves as president of the International Foundation for Ethical Research, which was established to support the development, validation and implementation of vivisection alternatives; and

WHEREAS, under Cunniff's leadership, NAVS established the National Research Library for Animal Advocacy at The John Marshall Law School; and

WHEREAS, under Cunniff's leadership, the NAVS Sanctuary Fund was created to help animals-including those retired from research laboratories-in dire circumstances as a result of natural and man-made disasters, and provided a critical grant to Chimp Haven, allowing them to become the National Chimpanzee Sanctuary; and

WHEREAS, Cunniff led the development of the United States' first comprehensive, regularly-updated guide to cruelty-free shopping; and

WHEREAS, under Cunniff's leadership, NAVS founded the International Institute for Animal Law to promote the passage of laws that protect animals by advancing scholarship within the legal and legislative arena on behalf of animals, and launched the Animal Law Resource Center to provide authoritative information on laws and legislation pertaining to animals in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Cunniff was instrumental in bringing about rule changes to the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair, and having NAVS named as the only animal advocacy organization permitted to give awards at the annual fair; and

WHEREAS, Cunniff played a pivotal role in discussions on Capitol Hill that resulted in the signing of the Chimpanzee Health Improvement, Maintenance and Protection (CHIMP) Act, and subsequently led NAVS' efforts in the development of Standards of Care and Maintenance for Chimpanzees in Sanctuaries; and

WHEREAS, Cunniff's unwavering commitment to greater compassion, respect and justice for animals stands as a shining example of excellence to the animal advocacy and protection community; 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 takes great pleasure in honoring and celebrating the 30th anniversary of Mary Margaret (Peggy) Cunniff as executive director of the National Anti-Vivisection society and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the contributions she 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 Peggy Cunniff.