



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY
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Virtual Meeting

Consent Agenda

Thursday, December 16, 2021, 10:00 AM

[22-0017](#)

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING JERRY A. PRAY UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Cook County Director of Research, Operations and Innovation Jerry Pray will retire from Cook County Government on December 31, 2021, after an accomplished and impactful 30-year career serving the residents of Cook County, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Jerry has established a reputation for improving the operations of Cook County Government through business process re-engineering and innovation; and

WHEREAS, as a lifelong resident of Cook County, Jerry was raised in the Jefferson Park community and graduated from Notre Dame High School for Boys; and

WHEREAS, while attending college, Jerry began his journey in the world of Industrial Engineering as an intern at Fel Pro in Skokie, Illinois in the summer of 1990 and at Cook County in the summer of 1991; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Iowa State University with a Bachelor of Science degree focused in Industrial Engineering, Jerry returned to Cook County to begin his full-time career at Cook County in 1992, joining the Industrial Engineer team in the Office of the Chief Administrator. Jerry's role was to identify ways to reduce wastefulness and improve how Cook County delivered services to its residents in the most efficient manner.

WHEREAS, in 1994, as a member of the Industrial Engineer team, Jerry performed the first ever space inventory analysis for all County facilities and created a database of space, employee data and occupancy drawings; and between 1995-1997, performed the financial analysis to justify the purchase of 69 W. Washington. Once 69 W. Washington was purchased, the Industrial Engineers were responsible for the initial space programming and layout modifications for the 700,000-square-foot facility; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, Jerry created the County's Photocopier Leasing Program and was responsible for administering the program for over 14 years. This program saved the County over \$1M annually; and

WHEREAS, from 1999 to 2020, Jerry managed the County's electricity and natural gas procurement, billing, and usage tracking for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, prior to 2003 there was no centralized repository for the County's legislation. Jerry was instrumental in the County's codification, creating free and open access to Cook County ordinance through Municode; and

WHEREAS, with demonstrated professionalism, analytical skills and a collaborative nature, Jerry was promoted to Senior Industrial Engineer in August of 2007; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, Jerry developed and created the County's Shared Fleet Program which won an Achievement Award from the National Association of Counties (NACo); and

WHEREAS, in 2018 Jerry helped launch the new Office of Research, Operations and Innovations (ROI) and was promoted to Deputy Director of ROI. Modeled after the Denver Peak Academy, ROI was created to improve operational efficiencies and services while reducing costs and enhancing customer experiences for all departments and agencies under Cook County Government; and

WHEREAS, eight months after ROI's inception, Jerry became the Director of ROI where he managed training and consulting services for business process design and performance management throughout Cook County Government; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, NACo recognized the newly formed ROI with an achievement award for its Employee-Driven Continuous Process Improvement program, which assists departments in identifying opportunities for process improvement and facilitates the implementation of innovative solutions that increase efficiency, add value to the customer and reduce costs; all developed and implemented by front-line employees; and

WHEREAS, throughout Jerry's 30 years, with Cook County he performed hundreds of operations, management, staffing, and space projects for virtually every single office and elected official. Some of the major studies that he should be most proud of include the Treasurer's Office, Forest Preserve and Department of Corrections cost studies; the development and creation of the Department of Administrative Hearings; and improvement and standardization of hundreds of processes throughout County offices; and

WHEREAS, Jerry leaves big shoes to fill as it is not unusual to hear someone say in a meeting, "maybe Jerry can help with this"; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Pray is the epitome of a true public servant; and

WHEREAS, having honorably served the residents of Cook County for 30 years, Jerry Pray has earned this time to further his professional bowling career, adding to his 7 perfect bowling games and 3 career 800 series; and

WHEREAS, the President, Cook County Board of Commissioners, Cook County staff and all who know Jerry wish him the best as he now has more time to spend with his wife Jennifer and their two daughters, Taylor and Jordan.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the 5.2 million Cook County residents and more than 22,000 employees of Cook County,

congratulate Jerry Pray upon the occasion of his retirement.

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 Jerry Pray.

[22-0024](#)

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF ELDER FITZGERALD BARRINGTON DAVIS

WHEREAS, Fitzgerald Barrington Davis passed away peacefully on November 1, 2021, at the age of 77 after a long and courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease. He was surrounded by his loved ones at the time of his passing who will continue to honor his legacy of faith, unconditional love, and kindness; and

WHEREAS, Fitzgerald was born on May 15, 1944, to Barrington and Gwendolyn Davis in Kingston, Jamaica. As a child, he had a heightened interest in engineering and construction. He embarked on his interest at the tender age of 13 when he started training with one of his community's finest carpenters. He continued to hone his skills while attending Rennock Lodge Government School and was subsequently accepted into Saint Ann Technical Trade School to pursue his interest in building, design, and construction; and

WHEREAS, following his graduation from Saint Ann Technical Trade School, he held several different positions in both the private and public sectors. Early in his career, he worked as a contractor for Gores Brothers. He was regarded as one of the best in his profession and was highly sought after. As a result, he was recruited to a supervisory position with the Pioneer Corporation and ultimately served as a contractor for the Roads and Works Department in Kingston, Jamaica. During his time as a contractor, he oversaw the development of critical infrastructure projects in and around the Kingston area including the Rennock Lodge Housing Scheme project in Rockfort; and

WHEREAS, Fitzgerald understood that his job was more than just repairing roads and buildings and that these investments in infrastructure could benefit underserved families through community development and jobs. He created programs to help young people learn trades and develop their skills. He subsequently employed many of these young people and provided them with opportunities for growth; and

WHEREAS, as a servant leader, Fitzgerald sought opportunities to empower others and care for the most vulnerable people in his community. His advocacy for underserved populations led him to a career in politics. He was elected chairman for the People's National Party (PNP), representing the East Kingston, Rennock Lodge Community. PNP is a social democratic political party in Jamaica founded in 1938. He was also enlisted as the youth leader for the Rennock Lodge Youth Organization. During his time as chairman, he worked with government leaders to improve conditions for children and families in Kingston; and

WHEREAS, Fitzgerald emigrated to the United States in January of 1981 and settled in Rogers Park, Chicago, with his wife and five children. His first job was with St. Francis Hospital in Evanston, Illinois, followed by a position with a tuckpointing company. Finally, he worked for the Village of Glencoe for 16 years where he retired in 2006; and

WHEREAS, after retirement, he continued to serve his community as a volunteer for numerous nonprofit organizations. He was actively involved with the Democratic Party of Evanston and worked as a crossing guard for the City of Evanston. Of all these roles, he enjoyed serving as a crossing guard the most. Each morning, he woke up looking forward to seeing the children along his path and brightening up their day with words of encouragement or a witty quip that made them smile; and

WHEREAS, his faith was the driving force in his life. Fitzgerald accepted the Lord Jesus as his Savior at an early age and was forever thankful that he was reared in a Christian home where God was the center of his life. He lived every day intentionally for God and made it his mandate to do the work of his heavenly Father. He was an Elder at First Church of God Christian Life Center in Evanston, Illinois, and then became an Elder at Deliverance Temple Church in Skokie, Illinois. He stood strong on his Christian faith and lived a life that exemplified the teaching of Christ; and

WHEREAS, Fitzgerald is survived by his devoted wife of 49 years, Sonia Davis; daughters, Rose Scott and Karen Davis; sons, Byron Davis (Marie), Lloyd Davis (Lorraine), Dave Davis (Tara); grandchildren, Klarissa Davis, Lloyd Davis Jr., Kayla Davis, Leah Davis, Theo Davis, and Steven Davis; and great-grandchildren, Ivy Collins and Oakley Collins. Fitzgerald also leaves behind brothers Philip Davis and Chris Davis; sisters Deloris Scott, Beverly Burnett, Angela Lodge, and a host of other loving relatives and friends who will rejoice in his memory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County, honors the life and work of Fitzgerald Barrington Davis, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable contributions he 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 same be tendered to the family of Fitzgerald Barrington Davis.

[22-0035](#)

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING NADINE JAKUBOWSKI UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Nadine Jakubowski has dedicated her professional life to public service; and

WHEREAS, Nadine has served as the Deputy Executive Officer of the Office of the Cook County Medical Examiner since October, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Nadine was instrumental in keeping the Medical Examiner's Office operational during some of the most challenging times, including the COVID-19 pandemic and historically high homicides in 2020 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, Nadine developed and implemented substantial improvements in the financial operations of the Medical Examiner's Office, including contract and budget oversight; and

WHEREAS, Nadine also played a significant role in ensuring that the Medical Examiner's Office received and maintained national accreditation; and

WHEREAS, prior to her service with the Medical Examiner, Nadine worked many years for the people of the State of Illinois in the Office of the Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, Nadine also served the people of Cook County in various positions within the Circuit Court of Cook County, and as a Social Caseworker; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her dedication and hard work in each position in which she has served, Nadine cherished and nurtured her family, including her husband of 26 years, Gary Jakubowski, and their three daughters, Jessica, Jordan and Jenna; and

WHEREAS, Nadine will retire from Cook County on December 17, 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT, RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate Nadine Jakubowski on her retirement, and wishes her much happiness in the company of her family after a commendable career; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Nadine Jakubowski.

[22-0266](#)

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING MAUREEN McDONNELL

WHEREAS, Maureen McDonnell is stepping down as Executive Director of PEER Services effective January 7, 2022. Maureen McDonnell has been a passionate advocate for the health, needs, and rights of vulnerable populations including people with mental illness and substance use disorder for over 25 years.

She received her bachelor's degree from Northwestern University and a master's degree in Public Health from the University of Illinois at Chicago, School of Public Health; and

WHEREAS, Maureen began her service with PEER Services as its Executive Director on June 12, 2017. PEER Services is a 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to eliminate substance use and the problems it causes for individuals, families, and communities through collaborative, high-quality prevention and treatment services. They have provided community-based substance abuse prevention and treatment services to residents of Evanston, Northfield, New Trier, Maine and Niles Townships, and the north side of Chicago since 1975. PEER uses interdisciplinary teams of professionals to provide a holistic approach to treatment, recognizing that substance use can impact a person's body, mind, and spirit; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining PEER Services, she served as National Director for Health Care Initiatives for TASC, Inc. (Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities), which advocates for alternatives to incarceration and community reentry services for people with substance use and mental health disorders. TASC serves more than 18,000 individuals and families in Illinois each year. Prior to serving as National Director for Health Care Initiatives, she was TASC's Director for Business & Health Care Strategy Development. During her tenure with TASC, McDonnell designed and implemented a ground-breaking collaboration among the courts, jail, health system, community providers and funders to fully leverage the Affordable Care Act to increase public health and reduce recidivism. Her many other accomplishments include developing innovative interventions that expanded access to Medicaid and health services for individuals at the point of release from Cook County Jail and other jails across the U.S. Through her efforts in designing infrastructure and systems for safe reentry into community services for people leaving jails with mental illness and substance use disorders, more than 150,000 detainees will be impacted annually; and

WHEREAS, Maureen is recognized as a national expert on building bridges between the behavioral health and justice systems, using Medicaid, Medicare, and other public health care funding. Her work to align these systems has expanded opportunities for people to access these services to avoid being incarcerated and to establish durable recovery in the community; and

WHEREAS, Maureen is the author of numerous articles and policy papers that have formed the foundation for key policy changes and programs at the state-wide and national levels. She has presented at more than 50 national, state, and local conferences, and planning sessions about leveraging the Affordable Care Act to accomplish justice reform. She has spoken at multiple events on the Opioid Epidemic including the City Club of Chicago in 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County honors the work and contributions of Maureen McDonnell, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable 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 Maureen McDonnell.

[22-0571](#)

Sponsored by: DEBORAH SIMS, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF JAMES ORBIN WORTHINGTON III

WHEREAS, Almighty God in his infinite wisdom has called James Orbin Worthington III from our midst; and

WHEREAS, James Orbin Worthington III was born in Chicago, Illinois on January 29, 1960, to the late James II and Ollye Worthington; and

WHEREAS, as James Orbin Worthington III was affectionally known as “Hollywood”; and

WHEREAS, James was a loyal member of the Prince Hall Masonic Family, his service included: Past Master of Hiram Lodge #14 PHA; Past High Priest St. Luke Chapter#5 HRAM; Past Thrice Illustrious Master-R&S Masters; Past Eminent Commander-Knights templar; Subline Prince32-Western Consistory#28; Arabic Temple#44, Noble; and KYCH; and

WHEREAS, the summer of 2003, James found the love of his life, Dawn Overall at a Masonic event. They married in 2004 and was blessed with two children, daughter Alexis and son James IV (Lil James), whom he was head over hill in love and so proud of his son; and

WHEREAS, when James was a young boy the family converted to Catholicism, he grew up attending St. Dorothy Catholic Church, later moving to Park Forest, Illinois he began attending St. Irenaeus Catholic Church where he was elected Deputy Grand Knight of Nina Council #3602 of the Knights of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, James graduated from De LaSalle Institute in Chicago, attended Illinois State University where he received his Bachelor’s degree in Communication while there he became a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Epsilon Chi Chapter, April 19, 1990 “SS Force”. There he was dubbed “Hollywood”; and

WHEREAS, James completed his Mortuary Science Degree from Malcolm X College, he worked at various funeral homes throughout the Chicagoland area including Gatling Funeral Home and Taylor Funeral Home; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 1998, James started working for Cook County Juvenile Probation Court Services. Twenty-three years later he was still there until his passing. He was also a co-founder of the program “Sigmas Against Delinquency”, this was a program to help children in the system to choose a different path by bringing in speakers and taking the children on field trips throughout the Chicagoland area; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and many friends of James Orbin Worthington III and join them in their time of sorrow; and

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

[22-0573](#)

Sponsored by: DEBORAH SIMS, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF JOHN A. DALY

WHEREAS, Almighty God in his infinite wisdom has called John A. Daly from our midst on November 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly was born on November 29, 1949; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly was a well-known, knowledgeable and respected friend of the entire Southland; All who knew him will attest that John A. Daly dedicated his life to public service; He was honored for the advocacy work he gave for local students of the college's and the Oak Forest Center and residents alike; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly was a highly respected Trustee and Vice Chair of the South Suburban College Board from 1991-2021; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly was elected as Alderman of the 4th Ward for the City of Oak Forest from 1983-1989; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly was appointed as the Administrator for the Village of Orland Hills in 1994; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly served as past Chairman of the Chicago Southland Convention & Visitor's Bureau, member of the Southwest Conference of Mayors; Chaired the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association's Management and Finance Committee; and

WHEREAS, one of his favorite sayings was, "You only go around once".

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 John A. Daly and join them in their time of sorrow and 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 A. Daly that his memory may be honored and ever cherished.

[22-0575](#)

Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, DEBORAH SIMS, PETER N. SILVESTRI, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), FRANK J. AGUILAR, ALMA E. ANAYA, LUIS ARROYO JR, SCOTT R. BRITTON, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET DEGNEN, BRIDGET GAINER, BRANDON JOHNSON, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, STANLEY MOORE, KEVIN B. MORRISON, SEAN M. MORRISON and LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORABLE ALLAN C. CARR, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Allan C. Carr from our midst, and

WHEREAS, Allan C. Carr was the beloved husband of Barbara & the late Gloria, and

WHEREAS, Allan C. Carr was the loving father of Gary (Kathy), Terrance M. (the late Cindy) & Sherry; stepfather of Tammy (Mike) Olszewski & James (Lisa) Bringle, and

WHEREAS, Allan C. Carr was the dear grandfather of Jacob, Allan B., Russel, Terry, Jeremy & Rebecca, step grandfather of Morgan, Michael, Madison, Jessica & Andrew, and

WHEREAS, Allan C. Carr served as a Republican State Central Committeeman, and

WHEREAS, Allan C. Carr served as a Trustee and Clerk for the town of Cicero, and

WHEREAS, Allan C. Carr served as Cook County Commissioner representing the 16th District from 1988 until 2002, and

WHEREAS, Allan C. Carr served as a two-time Presidential Delegate for the State of Illinois, and

WHEREAS, Allan C. Carr is the founder of the Steak N Egger restaurant chain, and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that Allan C. Carr 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, 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 Allan C. Carr 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 Allan C. Carr that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

[22-0597](#)

Sponsored by: KEVIN B. MORRISON, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION HONORING TRUSTEE NANCY CZARNIK'S COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC SERVICE

WHEREAS, Nancy Czarnik has lived in Elk Grove Village in the 15th District since 1968; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Czarnik has been a long time public servant serving in various capacities over the last three decades; and

WHEREAS, she served on the Elk Grove Village Plan Commissioner in 1989 and was appointed and subsequently elected eight times to the Elk Grove Village Board of Trustees from 1989 through 2021; and

WHEREAS, in her 32 years of service as a Trustee, Nancy Czarnik led on many important initiatives improving the lives of the residents of Elk Grove Village; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Czarnik chaired the Health & Community Services Advisory Committee and served as a member of the Community Service board. Nancy has also chaired the Judiciary, Planning, and Zoning Committee, as well as the Personnel Committee and the Recycling and Solid Waste Committee. She was the recent chairwoman of the Capital Improvements Committee, as well as the Business Leaders Forum; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Czarnik served as the village trustee on the Parade Committee since its beginning in 1997 and supported this important event that brings community members together; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Czarnik served and co-chaired several other festivities, including the 40th Anniversary Celebration, 50th Anniversary Celebration and the village's Camelot on the Green celebration; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Czarnik served on the Board of Directors Joint Action Water Agency and TRANSPARENT; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Czarnik has taken immense pride in her work on establishing a Community Healthy Nurse position; and

WHEREAS, Cook County and the Cook County Board of Commissioners have had the honor of working with Trustee Nancy Czarnik and Elk Grove Village and she has proved to be a wonderful partner; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby honor Trustee Nancy Czarnik for her commitment to public service and congratulate her on her retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that suitable copies of this resolution are presented to Trustee Nancy Czarnik.

[22-0598](#)

Sponsored by: KEVIN B. MORRISON, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION HONORING HANOVER TOWNSHIP ON RECEIVING BUDGETING AWARD

WHEREAS, Hanover Township was presented with the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the Township's FY 2022 budget; and

WHEREAS, the award was presented to Hanover Township by the Government Finance Officer Association (GFOA); and

WHEREAS, GFOA, is a nonprofit professional association serving 20,000 government finance professionals throughout North America; and

WHEREAS, GFOA assesses how well an entity's budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide and a communications device; and

WHEREAS, GFOA evaluates budget documents and the documents must be rated "proficient" in all four categories and then 14 mandatory criteria within those categories to receive the award; and

WHEREAS, the Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting; and

WHEREAS, Cook County and the Cook County Board of Commissioners have had the honor of working with Hanover Township and they have proved to be a wonderful partner; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby honor Hanover Township for receiving the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award and presenting a sound and transparent budget for the residents of Hanover Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that suitable copies of this resolution are presented to Hanover Township.

[22-0613](#)

Sponsored by: PETER N. SILVESTRI, LUIS ARROYO JR, SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, KEVIN B. MORRISON, SEAN M. MORRISON, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN and BRIDGET DEGNEN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RENATO GUERINO TURANO, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom called Renato Guerino Turano from our midst on December 5, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Renato Turano was the loving husband of the late Patricia Ann, nee Filishio, for 54 years; and

WHEREAS, Renato Turano was the devoted father of Lisa Turano, Renee (Robert) Novelle, and Mario (Wanda) Turano; and

WHEREAS, Renato Turano was the beloved grandfather of Renzo, Nico, Reno, Malina, Gabriella, Alessandra, Gioia, Renato, and Rocco; and

WHEREAS, Renato Turano was the cherished son of the late Mariano and the late Assunta, nee Filice, Turano and the dear brother of Umberto “Tony” (Eugenia) Turano and Giancarlo (Karen) Turano; and

WHEREAS, Renato Turano was born in Calabria, Italy, in 1942. In the late 1950s he left Italy with his family and moved to Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Renato Turano received a Bachelor of Arts and an MBA from the University of Chicago and an Honorary Doctorate in Letters from the University of Wisconsin-Parkside; and

WHEREAS, Renato Turano collaborated with his father and brothers to make the Turano Baking Company in Berwyn into the enterprise that it is today. Renato Turano served as the Chairman of the Board for Campagna-Turano Bakery, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, Renato Turano was elected senator of the Republic of Italy, representing Italian citizens of the newly formed electoral district of North and Central America; and

WHEREAS, Senatore Turano worked to address a variety of important issues impacting Italians living abroad; and

WHEREAS, before his election, Senatore Turano built an extensive career in public service and presided over the Columbian Club of Chicago, the Calabresi in America Organization, the Italian American Chamber of Commerce-Midwest, and Casa Italia; and

WHEREAS, Senatore Turano also represented the Midwest Chamber on the Assocamerestero, an association of 76 Italian chambers of commerce around the world, and he served for the last eighteen years as an advisor with the Region of Calabria; and

WHEREAS, Senatore Turano has been honored by several civic, business, and educational institutions, both in the U.S. and Italy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby extend its deepest condolences to the family and friends of Renato Turano; 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 tendered to the family of Senatore Turano so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

[22-0603](#)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF JOHN A. DALY

WHEREAS, Almighty God in his infinite wisdom has called John A. Daly from our midst on November 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly was born on November 29, 1949; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly was a well-known, knowledgeable and respected friend of the entire Southland; All who knew him will attest that John A. Daly dedicated his life to public service; He was honored for the advocacy work he gave for local students of the college's and the Oak Forest Center and residents alike; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly was a highly respected Trustee and Vice Chair of the South Suburban College Board from 1991-2021; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly was elected as Alderman of the 4th Ward for the City of Oak Forest from 1983-1989; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly was appointed as the Administrator for the Village of Orland Hills in 1994; and

WHEREAS, John A. Daly served as past Chairman of the Chicago Southland Convention & Visitor's Bureau, member of the Southwest Conference of Mayors; Chaired the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association's Management and Finance Committee; and

WHEREAS, one of his favorite sayings was, 'You only go around once'.

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 John A. Daly and join them in their time of sorrow and 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 A. Daly that his memory may be honored and ever cherished.

[22-0605](#)

Sponsored by: DEBORAH SIMS, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

WHAT A WONDERFUL LIFE... HAPPY 110TH BIRTHDAY JUANITA CARRERE MITCHELL

WHEREAS, Juanita Carrere Mitchell was born December 15, 1911, in Nestor Louisiana to Acklin and Bonita Carrere; and

WHEREAS, Juanita's relocation to Chicago was in July 1919 in the middle of the Chicago Race Riots/ The Red Summer, Juanita Mitchell to this day recalls the race riots and the fear as an eight-year-old girl. Despite having to hide behind the piano in her aunt and uncles' home she survived the race riots and survived the "Great Depression". She attended grammar school and high school in Chicago, graduating from Hyde Park High School. Following graduation, she attended Business School and Washburne trade school where she pursued tailoring; and

WHEREAS, Juanita would later return to Louisiana, teaching in the school system. In 1934, she would marry her husband of 54 years Morant Mitchell, who also served in World War I. Juanita and Morant raised their two children John and Mary on the south side of Chicago in the community of Chatham. While living in Chatham they were very active in their block club, the Chatham Avalon Council, and PTA. In addition to Juanita's talent in home and gardening, she used her skill set as a tailor; and

WHEREAS, Juanita remained a resident of the Chatham community for 39 years. As a member of the Chatham community, she served as a voter register, and held positions in the neighborhood block club; and

WHEREAS, In December 1996, at the age of 85 Juanita Mitchell moved to Flossmoor. Juanita has been

a resident of the Flossmoor community for 24 years. Juanita has been an active participant in the community homeowner's association and early on participated on the beautification committee; and

WHEREAS, At 110 years Juanita continues to value the importance of family and community. She places her faith in God and has a strong commitment to her family and children. Since 2019, she is limited in attending engagements but remains committed to the foundations of a great community, as being a member of the Chicago Media, the DuSable Museum, and the Order of the Eastern Stars, where she is a life member and held positions such as Worthy Matron; and

WHEREAS, Juanita is a member of Cedar Memorial Presbyterian Church where she has been an active member of the Sarah Circle and Presbyterian Women. In 2004, she received honorary membership in Presbyterian Women USA; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her life Juanita has been invested in family, church, and community. Juanita's interest includes reading, fashion, interior design and sewing. She enjoys gardening and sharing stories of her life and events that she has witnessed throughout her life. Juanita is active and has a sharp mind. Her ability to reconstruct events in her life is remarkable.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DEBORAH SIMS, COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONER of the 5th DISTRICT, do hereby stand and honor Juanita Carrere Mitchell on her 110th Birthday; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be presented to Juanita Carrere Mitchell;

[22-0614](#)

Sponsored by: PETER N. SILVESTRI, BRANDON JOHNSON, LUIS ARROYO JR, SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET DEGNEN, DONNA MILLER, KEVIN B. MORRISON, SEAN M. MORRISON and DEBORAH SIMS, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE FENWICK FRIARS FOR WINNING THE ILLINOIS CLASS 5A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

WHEREAS, on November 27, 2021, Oak Park's Fenwick Friars beat the Kankakee Kays 34-15 at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb to claim the Illinois Class 5A State Championship; and

WHEREAS, this marks Fenwick's first state title in football since the IHSA first introduced the playoff system in 1974; and

WHEREAS, the Friars' win was highlighted by stellar catches (Bryan Hunt, Jr., Eian Pugh, and Max Reese), spectacular throws and runs (QB Kaden Cobb), and hard-nosed blocking (Jimmy Liston, Rasheed Anderson, Will Rosenberg, Pat Durkin, Aaron Johnson, Lukas Mikuzis, and the rest of the offensive line);

and

WHEREAS, defensively, Conor and Martin Paris stood out, as did Suleiman Abuaqel, Den Juette, Mirko Jaksic (junior), Harry Kenny, Conor Stetz (junior), Aden Vargas, Jacque Walls, Quin Wieties, sophomores Luke D'Alise and Will Gladden, and freshman Nate Marshall; and

WHEREAS, running back Danny Kent rushed for more than 200 yards on 28 carries and was named Player of the Game; and

WHEREAS, the Friars held Kankakee's strong offense to 227 total yards and just 38 yards rushing; and

WHEREAS, the Friars worked hard all year as a team to finish 12-2, and thrived thanks to the guidance of amazing coaches, with Coach Matt Battaglia at the helm; and

WHEREAS, since 1929 Fenwick has been a leader in Catholic education in the Chicagoland area; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Fenwick High School, guided by Dominican Catholic values, inspires excellence and educates each student to lead, achieve, and serve; and

WHEREAS, representing 86 zip codes, drawing from 150 grade schools, Fenwick's student body comprises an array of interests and experiences; and

WHEREAS, with 35 different athletic teams and a storied history within the Chicago Catholic League, Fenwick strives to be the best both in the classroom and on the playing field.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate the Fenwick Friars for winning the Illinois Class 5A State Championship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be tendered to the Fenwick Friars' football team as an expression of our esteem.

[22-0638](#)

Sponsored by: DENNIS DEER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING MS. PRINCESS SHAW FOR HER COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION TO THE NORTH LAWNSDALE COMMUNITY AND CHICAGOLAND AREA

WHEREAS, Princess Shaw is a lifelong Lawndale resident, and currently a community organizer. She was born and raised in Lawndale. She is a 3rd generation Lawndale resident, and raising 4th Generation Lawndale residents; and

WHEREAS, Princess Shaw is blessed with two beautiful children Amara Clarine Shaw and Bryan Lontee-Elijah Ingram; and

WHEREAS, Princess Shaw has had a passion to help bring about a change in her community and others that mirror it, and have the same barriers residents are faced with on a daily basis. Ms. Shaw works tirelessly to bring family-oriented ethics, peace and unity back to the Lawndale Community; and

WHEREAS, Princess Shaw has diligently been working on several projects that benefit a number of Chicagoland communities. Those efforts include organizing the revitalization of block clubs, and working with the youth who are justice involved to bring about change in their lives through personal mentorship and mentorship programs; and

WHEREAS, Princess Shaw has implemented employment solutions, with a focus on making employment opportunities available and accessible to those living in underserved community areas such as North Lawndale and throughout Chicagoland; and

WHEREAS, Princess Shaw started the “Light Up Lawndale” Campaign, in 2020, as an effort to promote a sense of unity and harmony during the COVID-19 pandemic. According to Princess the project is to bring hope and it represents the phrase, “there is a light at the end of the tunnel.” Light up Lawndale, provides an opportunity for residents to light a pathway on Douglas BLVD in North Lawndale, so they can come together and be a representation of light in the community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Cook County Commissioner Dennis Deer of 2nd District on behalf of President Toni Preckwinkle, the Cook County Board of Commissioners and on behalf of the over five million residents of Cook County, on this 16th day of December do hereby recognized Princess Shaw for her Outstanding Commitment and Dedication in the North Lawndale Community, and so wish Princess Shaw every continued success in her future endeavors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to Princess Shaw and a copy be spreader upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body.

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Sponsored by: DENNIS DEER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING MS. DUSHAUN BRANCH POLLARD FOR HER COMMITMENT AND SERVICES TO COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT CHICAGO

WHEREAS, Ms. DuShaun Pollard has been practicing for almost 15 years and fell in love with yoga because it allowed her to find peace of mind while moving her body. As a yoga student, DuShaun noticed that in most of her classes she was the only black and plus sized person in the room. This inspired her to become a practitioner to bring yoga to more people who looked like her; and

WHEREAS, Ms. DuShaun Pollard In 2020 DuShaun began teaching online Chair yoga classes with the hopes of bringing yoga to more people who had never practiced and for those who might need a more

accessible class. While teaching, DuShaun also started an initiative called Period Flow, a donation-based class where students paid in menstrual products. Within this initiative, more than 2,000 menstrual products were donated and sent to local Love Fridge locations in and around Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Ms. DuShaun Pollard co-founded an initiative called Black Brown and Breathing with Taylor D. Mason. The two saw the need after 2020 uprisings and pain in Chicago that Black and Brown people needed a place to come together to rest and to be. Since the start of Black Brown and Breathing, the two have hosted collective healing spaces in North Lawndale, Humboldt Park, Roseland, Hyde Park, Evanston and more; and

WHEREAS, Ms. DuShaun Pollard is a community organizer, working with the North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council. Within this work, she has helped organize food distributions, diaper drives, mask giveaways, and financial assistance programs to assist community members in the height of the pandemic.; and

WHEREAS, Ms. DuShaun Pollard truly believes that now more than ever people need a place to rest, a place to heal and spaces to openly share and be in community. Through Sage Gawd Collective, DuShaun will continue to make spaces for rest and encouraging and talking openly about the importance of therapy and mental health support.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Cook County Commissioner Dennis Deer of 2nd District on behalf of President Toni Preckwinkle, the Cook County Board of Commissioners and on behalf of the over five million residents of Cook County, on this 4th day of November do hereby recognized Ms. DuShaun Pollard for her Outstanding Commitment and Services to communities throughout Chicago, and so wish Ms. DuShaun Pollard every continued success in her future endeavors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to Ms. DuShaun Pollard and a copy be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body.

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Sponsored by: ALMA E. ANAYA, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING ST. BRUNO SCHOOL ON ITS 95TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School is a Catholic elementary school located on the Southwest Side of Chicago in the Archer Heights community, dedicated to the education of the youth of their diverse parish and its surrounding neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School strives to provide a foundation of academic excellence within a positive, respectful atmosphere, preparing students for lifelong learning, and responsible citizenship in both the

Church and the global community; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School was built in 1926 and had its first graduating class of five girls in 1927; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School started as a multi-use building that held mass on the first floor and classes in their school in the second floor. In 1955, a new church building groundbreaking took place allowing the school to expanded; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School began as a first through eighth grade Catholic Elementary School but in 1972, a half-day kindergarten program was added. St. Bruno School knew the importance of research that showed that early intervention is key for a child's development and later also added a three- & four-year-old preschool program; and

WHEREAS, in 1977, as an improvement to the school and its growing youth sports program, the St. Bruno School hall expansion and school gym were completed; these also serve as a meeting place for the parish's clubs and school and parish events; and

WHEREAS, in the 1990s, with the aid of city and federal funds, the school underwent a noise abatement project to soundproof and renovate the building to enhance the learning environment and underwent other improvements such as the additions of their computer and technology lab and science/STEM lab; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School provides quality education with an emphasis on high academic standards, faith-based values, and discipline; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School offers after school programing such as STEM Club, Environment Club, Math Club, Book Club, Robotics, Theatre Class, Home Economics, homework helper, and dance. St. Bruno School's commitment to exposing their students to these opportunities help create a good infrastructure to a child's future and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School students show significant growth year to year. Their eighth-grade students scored the highest for the Catholic Schools in the area on the standardized test; and

WHEREAS, alumni of St. Bruno School have been accepted into the highly selective Catholic and public high schools in Chicago and later into great colleges and universities; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School is proud to know their graduates have gone on to contribute to society by becoming doctors, lawyers, business owners, educators, stars of the music industry, engineers, physicists, artists and more; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School's current principal Carla Sever has been awarded the Polk Leadership Award for excellence in administration, and the sports teams have won numerous championships; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School draws its students from fifteen zip codes, offering reasonably priced

before and after school care to accommodate the needs of working families; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School is not only considered a parish school, but as a school of distinction by any and all standards; and

WHEREAS, St. Bruno School has become a beacon not only for the Southwest community but for the County of Cook due to their commitment to excellence.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby congratulate St. Bruno School on its 95th Anniversary; 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 St. Bruno School.