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Consent Agenda

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Sponsored by: TARA S. STAMPS, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

PRESERVATION OF THE HOME OF DR. PERCY L. JULIAN

WHEREAS, Dr. Percy L. Julian was born in Montgomery, Alabama in 1899; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Julian's parents prized education, but there were few opportunities for him to pursue his education in the South; and,

WHEREAS, he went to DePauw University for college, where he was not allowed to live in the dormitories because he was Black; and,

WHEREAS, His work in the scientific field led him to file more than 130 patents, and he was pivotal in the development of drugs to treat glaucoma, reproductive issues, and arthritis; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Julian's wife, Anna, overcame similar racial barriers in her pursuit of an education. Born in Baltimore in 1902, she attended the University of Pennsylvania and became the first Black woman to earn a Ph.D. in sociology in the United States; and,

WHEREAS Dr. Julians was a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and his wife Anna was a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., both Black Greek Letter Organizations with membership consisting of black college educated individuals; and,

WHEREAS, after their marriage, the Julians lived in Maywood. When the family outgrew their house, the couple bought a home in nearby Oak Park; and,

WHEREAS, as they were preparing to move into the home at 515 N. East Ave. in 1950, an arsonist set fire to their home. In 1951, someone threw dynamite at the house. The Julians hired security guards to protect their family; and,

WHEREAS, despite Julian's professional success, Oak Park was not always welcoming to the family. Percy Jr., Faith, and Rhoddy were the only Black children enrolled in their schools throughout their education in Oak Park, and the family received threats throughout the children's time in school; and,

WHEREAS, an elementary school was named in his honor in Oak Park, Illinois; and,

WHEREAS Dr. Julian passed away in 1975 and Anna died in 1994. Percy Julian Jr. became a noted civil rights attorney. He passed away in 2008, leaving Faith the sole member of the family living in the family's East Avenue house.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, it is the vision and the request of Faith Julian that the

family home receive historic status and become a learning center for children and adults to learn about her parents and how to be humanitarians with the support of the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be tendered to Faith Julian, as a token of the esteem in which she is held by the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

[23-5411](#)

Sponsored by: TARA S. STAMPS, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING MRS. LILLIAN DRUMMOND UPON HER 102ND BIRTHDAY

WHEREAS, Lillian Drummond, a beacon of light and longtime resident of the Austin Community, is a living example to all for her dedication, sacrifice and advocacy; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Drummond, was instrumental in the creation of the Austin Satellite Senior Center, a founding leader of the South Austin Coalition Community Council (SACCC); and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Drummond through her tireless advocacy and leadership with SACCC, assisted the Austin community on several issues, including healthcare, labor, the environment, housing, education, and safety. SACCC has been a strong proponent of citizen involvement in the Austin Community; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Drummond has been a loud voice for utility assistance for families and has faced down powerful mayors and a president to fight for the plights of senior citizens and low-income families struggling to pay their energy bills; and,

WHEREAS, one of Mrs. Drummond's signature achievements was to organize the Affordable Budget Coalition in 1985. The Coalition worked successfully to enact the 12% Energy Assistance Plan, which made heating and lighting available to low-income families; and,

WHEREAS, a strong focus of SACCC has been low income issues related to utilities and energy usage, an area of public policy on which Ms. Lillian Drummond has been especially active and effective; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Drummond has fortified numerous relationships with all levels of government city, county, state and federal officials; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Drummond famously approached former President Bill Clinton during an appearance by the President in Chicago in 1994, in order to personally register her concerns regarding proposed cuts to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP); and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Drummond's advocacy was instrumental in the successful passage of the Percentage of Income Payment Plan in 2009. Under that legislation, low-income individuals are allowed to pay only 6% of their income for energy and reconnection, and to continue to stay connected as long as they pay

6% of their income; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Drummond also helped to ensure that the Community and Economic Development Association supervised the funding of the Percentage of Income Payment Plan; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Drummond has been honored by many organizations, including the 2006 Edward Bailey Lifetime Community Service Act, the Illinois Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Award, and an honorary street designation by the City of Chicago; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Drummond, has provided influence, evoked change and her advocacy efforts have reached far beyond her Congress Parkway home; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Drummond to this day continues her battle to better her community; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, does hereby thank Mrs. Lillian Drummond for the important and commendable work on behalf of our County and wishes her many blessings on her birthday; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be tendered to Mrs. Drummond, as a token of the esteem in which she is held by the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

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Sponsored by: TARA S. STAMPS, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

OFFERING CONDOLENCES FOR THE FAMILY OF BURNETTE BOYKIN

WHEREAS, Ms. Burnette Boykin, the mother of former Cook County Commissioner Richard Boykin was born on December 15, 1947, in Jackson, Mississippi; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Boykin graduated from Carter High School in Brandon, Mississippi. She worked as a security officer and cafeteria worker at the University of Illinois, and she volunteered at a Woodlawn food pantry; and,

WHEREAS Ms. Boykin gave her life to Christ at a young age in Mississippi. Her home church in Chicago was Pleasant Green Missionary Baptist Church, where her pastor was Rev. Ray Bonney; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Boykin died Tuesday, August 29th, at the age of 75 at the University of Chicago Medicine/University of Chicago Hospital surrounded by her family after losing a battle with lung cancer; and,

WHEREAS Ms. Boykin leaves to mourn four children, three sons, George, Michael and Richard; daughter, Lisa and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, friends, and family; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, does hereby offer sincere condolences on the passing of Ms. Burnette Boykin; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be tendered to Ms. Burnette's family in her memory, as a token of the esteem in which she is held by the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

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Sponsored by: MONICA GORDON, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), FRANK J. AGUILAR, ALMA E. ANAYA, SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET DEGNEN, BRIDGET GAINER, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, STANLEY MOORE, JOSINA MORITA, KEVIN B. MORRISON, SEAN M. MORRISON, ANTHONY J. QUEZADA, TARA S. STAMPS and MAGGIE TREVOR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2023 AS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH AND OCTOBER 13 AS METASTATIC BREAST CANCER AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, held in October every year, aims to increase public knowledge of this disease, and promote screening and prevention of the disease, which affects one in eight women in the United States every year and 2.3 million women worldwide; and

WHEREAS, known best for its pink theme color, the month features campaigns and programs aimed at supporting people diagnosed with breast cancer, including metastatic breast cancer; educating people about breast cancer risk factors; stressing the importance of regular screening, starting at age 40 or an age that's appropriate for each person's personal breast cancer risk; and fundraising for breast cancer research; and

WHEREAS, although breast cancer is much more common in women, more than 281,550 women are diagnosed with new cases of invasive breast cancer each year, breast cancer affects men, too. In 2021, U.S. President Joe Biden designated October 17 to October 23 Men's Breast Cancer Awareness Week. About 2,710 American men are expected to be diagnosed with breast cancer each year, and about 530 are expected to die from the disease; a man's lifetime risk of breast cancer is about 1 in 833. Lack of awareness and stigma can be barriers to detection and care. Some men, trans men, and non-binary people choose to call their cancer chest cancer; and

WHEREAS, October 13 is nationally recognized in the United States as Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day and is intended to drive awareness of the need for more research about metastatic disease. About 30% of early-stage breast cancers eventually metastasize, spreading to parts of the body away from the breast; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among American women. Black women are most likely to die from breast cancer than women of any other racial or ethnic group. About 1

in 5 Black women is diagnosed with triple-negative breast cancer, more than any other racial or ethnic group. About 85% of breast cancers occur in women who have no family history of breast cancer due to genetic mutations that happen as a result of the aging process and life in general, rather than inherited mutations; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 4 million breast cancer survivors in the United States which includes women still being treated and those who have completed treatment; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), mammograms are the best way to find breast cancer early, when it is easier to treat and before it is big enough to feel or cause symptoms; and

WHEREAS, as a result of early breast cancer detection through mammogram screenings and increased awareness the death rate decreased from 2013 to 2018 by 1%; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners recognizes breast cancer patients, survivors, and their families; recognizes the courage and strength of the individuals who are battling this terrible disease; and remembers loved ones whose lives have been affected by breast cancer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize October 2023 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and October 13 as Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day, and wish to lend their most steadfast support for the Cook County residents impacted by breast cancer, and join in the effort to spread awareness of the benefits of early detection; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this honorable body.

[23-5410](#)

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING WOORI TAEKWONDO & HAPKIDO ACADEMY

WHEREAS, “Woori” means “You and Me” Woori Taekwondo and Hapkido Academy is a community of martial artists with the same goal, that of striving toward excellence in martial arts and in every aspect of our lives; and

WHEREAS, philanthropy holds a special place of importance in the Woori philosophy; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, November 18h, 2023 Woori Taekwondo and Hapkido Academy is sponsoring its 10th Annual fundraising event to benefit St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital entitled “**Kick for the Cure**”; and

WHEREAS, Woori Taekwondo and Hapkido Academy is a team of highly motivated and superbly trained individuals dedicated to the development of character and inner peace characterized by integrity and discipline; and

WHEREAS, in the past 11 years, Woori Taekwondo and Hapkido Academy has raised more than \$126,000 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital to help fight against childhood cancer; and

WHEREAS, Kwanpil Kim is the school’s Grand Master. Headmaster Hogyun Choi will be testing for his 6th Degree Black Belt in Taekwondo. Headmaster Basia Pudysz Allen and Headmaster Hogyun Choi will be testing for their 4th Degree Black Belts in Hapkido; and

WHEREAS, Grand Master Kwanpil Kim, Senior Master, Headmasters and Masters of the center will be participating in the 500 Board Breaking to support the cure for cancer. Woori students will also be participating in Low Belts and Black Belts; and

WHEREAS, all proceeds raised from the sale of “Kick for the Cure” event will go to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners commend the instructors and students of Woori Taekwondo and Hapkido Academy on their fundraising effort “Kick for the Cure” to benefit St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and official copy be given to Woori Taekwondo & Hapkido Academy in honor of their “Kick for the Cure” event on November 18th, 2023.

[23-5413](#)

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING LGBTQ+ HISTORY MONTH IN COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, in July of 1961, Illinois became the first state to decriminalize homosexuality by repealing our sodomy laws; and

WHEREAS, in 1952, homosexuality was classified as a mental disorder in the first edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM), and it wasn’t until 2013 that such categorizations of homosexuality as a mental illness were removed; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 1953, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed an executive order that banned homosexuals from working for the federal government, sighting them as a security risk; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 1961, the first US-televised documentary about homosexuality aired on a local station in California; and

WHEREAS, the Stonewall Riots occurred in New York City on June 28, 1969, as led by Marsha P. Johnson, Silvia Rivera, Stormé DeLarverie, and Miss Major, and marked the beginning of the modern LGBTQIA+ rights movement, although previous demonstrations and organizing efforts amongst the LGBTQIA+ community preceded; and

WHEREAS, on January 1, 1973, Maryland became the first state to statutorily ban same-sex marriage; and

WHEREAS, in 1974, Kathy Kozachenko became the first openly LGBTQ American elected to any public office when she won a seat on the Ann Arbor, Michigan City Council; and

WHEREAS, on October 14, 1979, the first National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights takes place, drawing an estimated 75,000 to 125,000 individuals marching for LGBTQ rights; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 1982, the CDC uses the term “AIDS” (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) for the first time in a new MMWR, and releases the first case definition for AIDS as “A disease at least moderately predictive of a defect in cell-mediated immunity, occurring in a person with no known cause for diminished resistance to that disease”; and

WHEREAS, on October 11, 1988, the first National Coming Out Day was observed; and

WHEREAS, first World AIDS Day was observed on December 1, 1988; and

WHEREAS, on November 30, 1993, President Bill Clinton signed the military policy known as “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell,” a directive that prohibited openly gay and lesbian Americans from serving in the military; and

WHEREAS, on September 21, 1996, President Clinton signed the Defense of Marriage Act, banning federal recognition of same-sex marriage and defining marriage as “a legal union between one man and one woman as husband and wife”; and

WHEREAS, on December 3, 1996 - Hawaii’s Judge Chang ruled that the state does not have a legal right to deprive same-sex couples of the right to marry, making Hawaii the first state to recognize that gay and lesbian couples are entitled to the same privileges as heterosexual married couples; and

WHEREAS, on Jun 26, 2003, the Supreme Court decided Lawrence v. Texas, and held that a Texas statute criminalizing “homosexual conduct” violated the 14th Amendment’s Due Process Clause; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2004, the first legal same-sex marriage in the United States took place in Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, on October 25, 2006, the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled that state lawmakers must provide the rights and benefits of marriage to gay and lesbian couples; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2008, voters approve Proposition 8 in California, which made same-sex marriage illegal, and it wasn't until 2010 that the proposition was found to be unconstitutional by a federal judge; and

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2011, "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" is repealed, ending the ban on gay men and lesbians from serving openly in the military; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2015, the Supreme Court ruled in Obergefell v. Hodges that states cannot ban same-sex marriage; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2016, Secretary of Defense Carter announced that the Pentagon lifted the ban on transgender people serving openly in the US military; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2018, The Trump administration announced a new policy that banned most transgender people from serving in military, which the Supreme Court allows the ban to go into effect in January 2019; and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2020, The Supreme Court ruled in Bostock v. Clayton County that the 1964 Civil Rights Act protects gay, lesbian, and transgender employees from discrimination based on sex; and

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2021, President Joe Biden signed an executive order repealing the 2019 ban on most transgender Americans joining the military; and

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2022, President Biden signed the Respect for Marriage Act which included new federal protections for same-sex and interracial couples and officially voided the Defense of Marriage Act; and

WHEREAS, here in Cook County there has never been more LGBTQ+ representation by our elected officials; and

WHEREAS, these events comprise a small proportion of the extensive history pertaining to the LGBTQ+ community; and

WHEREAS, these historically significant dates, events, and facts are not widely known nor taught; and

WHEREAS, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) History Month is observed each year in the month of October to center and celebrate the history, successes, stories, work, and ongoing issues of the community; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ History Month was founded in 1994 by Rodney Wilson, a high school history

teacher in Missouri, and passed as a resolution by the General Assembly of the National Education Association in 1995 which included LGBTQ+ History Month within a list of commemorative months; and

WHEREAS, the month of October was selected to coincide with National Coming Out Day (Oct. 11), and the anniversary of the first march on Washington, and to correlate when schools are in session-providing a time and space for education on the history of the LGBTQ+ community; and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ+ community is an important contributor to the diverse and vibrant communities across Cook County, and are deserving of a time and space for us all to recognize and appreciate the role of LGBTQ+ people across World and American history; and

WHEREAS, through the power of education, we as a County and a society can better understand the ways that past perspectives, laws, and treatment regarding the LGBTQ+ community continue to impact us today, and help us better advocate for LGBTQ+ members' ongoing needs and rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, hereby proclaim the month of October 2023 to be LGBTQ+ HISTORY MONTH IN COOK COUNTY.

[23-5415](#)

Sponsored by: ALMA E. ANAYA and KEVIN B. MORRISON, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

COOK COUNTY RECOGNIZES THE ILLINOIS DOMESTIC HOTLINE FOR 25 YEARS OF SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline, which began as the City of Chicago Helpline in 1998, is 25 years old this year; and

WHEREAS, the Hotline expanded to cover the state of Illinois in 2008; and

WHEREAS, the IL Domestic Violence Hotline provides crisis safety planning and referrals to emergency housing and support services to survivors of domestic violence in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Hotline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, is multilingual, and now features safe, free transportation for survivors moving from crisis to safety; and

WHEREAS, a Victim Information and Referral Advocate is trained to listen, offer support and safety planning, and connect callers with resources, including emergency housing, counseling, and legal advocacy; and

WHEREAS, an average of 3,000 people reach out for support per month, waiting an average of just 39 seconds to speak to an advocate; and

WHEREAS, according to a 2023 report by The Network, the Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline received 36,150 contacts in 2022 alone. This includes 94 of 102 counties from across the state; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, there were 19,834 contacts made to the Hotline from Cook County. This includes 18,626 calls, 999 chats, 209 texts, accounting for an increase of 13% compared to 2021; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, 55% of Illinois contacts identified the type of abuse they were experiencing, and some callers reported multiple forms of abuse occurring simultaneously. Emotional abuse was the most reported followed by physical, sexual and financial abuse; and

WHEREAS, there are several forms of abuse that survivors may report while speaking with Hotline. Abuse ranges from physical and emotional abuse to stalking and threats to coercion involving children and pets; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, 10,513 contacts reported emotional abuse, 8,120 reported physical abuse, 610 reported financial abuse, and 635 reported sexual abuse; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline can be reached at 877-863-6338.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board President and Members of the Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize the Illinois Domestic Hotline for their 25 years of service in supporting survivors of domestic violence.

[23-5417](#)

Sponsored by: FRANK J. AGUILAR, ALMA E. ANAYA, SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET DEGNEN, BRIDGET GAINER, MONICA GORDON, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, STANLEY MOORE, JOSINA MORITA, KEVIN B. MORRISON, SEAN M. MORRISON, ANTHONY J. QUEZADA, TARA S. STAMPS and MAGGIE TREVOR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

COOK COUNTY RECOGNIZES OCTOBER 2023 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, October is nationally known as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and a time to uplift the experiences and resilience of survivors, as well as educate and support households experiencing this hardship; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a pattern of physical and psychological abuse, threats, intimidation, isolation, or economic coercion used by one person to exert power and control over another person in the context of a dating, familial, or household relationship; and

WHEREAS, intimate partner violence can happen to anyone at any point in a relationship, and affects people of all ages as well as all racial, ethnic, gender, economic, and religious backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey, women are disproportionately victims of domestic violence, as 1 in 3 women and 1 in 6 men ages 18 and older will experience some form of contact sexual violence during their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, 41.5% of women in Illinois and 25.90% of men in Illinois experience intimate partner physical violence, intimate partner sexual violence or intimate partner stalking in their lifetimes; and

WHEREAS, a 2023 data report from The Network: Advocating Against Domestic Violence indicated that there were 2,405 domestic violence calls and 97 sexual violence calls documented by the Cook County Sheriff's Office in 2022 alone; and

WHEREAS, while Chicago's population is only composed of 29% of people who identify as Black, 75% of all non-fatal domestic violence related shootings and 66% of domestic violence related homicides in 2022 impacted Black victims; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence shootings in Cook County in 2022 included 64 total incidents, 48 victims injured, 23 victims killed, and 31 suspects arrested.

WHEREAS, in suburban Cook County, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) responded 5,569 calls related to gender-based violence in 2022. This included 4,177 cases of intimate partner violence, 1,071 cases of sexual violence, and 321 cases of child abuse and neglect.

WHEREAS, during Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we acknowledge the progress made in this field and embrace the basic human right to be free from violence and abuse, and recognize that more work remains until every individual is able to live free from fear; and

WHEREAS, this month, we recognize the unique circumstances faced by survivors and individuals facing domestic violence due to the public health crisis of COVID-19 and the negative impact it has had on the delivery of social services and access to resources; and

WHEREAS, victims of domestic violence who worked with advocates experienced less violence over time, reported higher quality of life and social support, and had less difficulty obtaining community resources over time, according to the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to increase - not reduce - funding for programs aimed at intervening in and preventing domestic violence in Cook County and throughout the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners commends domestic violence victim advocates, victim service providers, crisis hotline staff and first responders for their compassionate support of survivors of domestic violence and commits to raise awareness of domestic violence and the devastating effects of domestic violence on survivors, families, and communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners officially recognizes October 2023 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and calls on the Cook County community to reaffirm their commitment to speaking out against domestic violence, assist victims in finding the help and healing they need, and work collaboratively to ending domestic violence in our community.

[23-5423](#)

Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), FRANK J. AGUILAR, ALMA E. ANAYA, SCOTT R. BRITTON, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET DEGNEN, BRIDGET GAINER, MONICA GORDON, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, STANLEY MOORE, JOSINA MORITA, KEVIN B. MORRISON, SEAN M. MORRISON, ANTHONY J. QUEZADA, TARA S. STAMPS and MAGGIE TREVOR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORABLE JAMES PATRICK FLANNERY, JR., IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called James Flannery Jr. from our midst, and

WHEREAS James Flannery Jr. was the beloved husband of Carol Zigulich, and

WHEREAS James Flannery Jr. was the loving father of Joanne Z. (Michael Alpert) Flannery, and

WHEREAS James Flannery Jr. was the cherished grandfather of Brooklyn and Becksley, and

WHEREAS James Flannery Jr. was the devoted son of the late James and late Maryann Flannery, and

WHEREAS James Flannery Jr. was the dear brother of Patrick (Lynda) Flannery and Maureen (late Dan) Pyne; kind uncle of many nieces and nephews, and

WHEREAS James Flannery Jr. was a long-time, devoted civil servant, and

WHEREAS James Flannery Jr. served as an assistant for the corporation counsel for the City of Chicago from 1976 to 1980 and later joined Murphy, Preston & Jaffe in 1980, and

WHEREAS James Flannery Jr. was an assistant Illinois attorney general and served as the chief deputy of the Land Acquisition Division from 1985 to 1988, and

WHEREAS James Flannery Jr. served on the bench for 35 years, beginning his judicial career in 1988, when he was appointed an associate judge of the Cook County Circuit Court and in 2014 was appointed presiding judge of the Law Division by Chief Judge Evans, and

WEHREAS James Flannery Jr. served as chairperson of the Legislative Committee of the Illinois Supreme Court, was a member of the Illinois Supreme Court Commission on Pretrial Practices, and served on the Judicial Education faculty for the New Judges Seminar, and

WHEREAS James Flannery Jr. was an adjunct professor at East-West University and at DePaul

University College of Law while also a guest lecturer at IIT/Chicago-Kent College of Law, and

WHEREAS all who knew him will attest that James Flannery Jr. 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 James Flannery Jr. 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 James Flannery Jr. that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

[23-5452](#)

Sponsored by: DENNIS DEER, DONNA MILLER, SEAN M. MORRISON, FRANK J. AGUILAR, KEVIN B. MORRISON and TARA S. STAMPS, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, October is recognized as Domestic Violence, awareness month; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence is considered by the United States Department of Justice as a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship that is used by one partner to gain or maintain power and control over another intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, Domestic violence can be physical, sexual, emotional, economic, psychological, or technological actions or threats of actions or other patterns of coercive behavior that influence another person within an intimate partner relationship. This includes any behaviors that intimidate, manipulate, humiliate, isolate, frighten, terrorize, coerce, threaten, blame, hurt, injure, or wound someone, and

WHEREAS, According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) 1 in 3 woman and 1 in 7 men have experienced severe physical violence from an intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, According to the CDC Domestic Violence is a public health issue with societal costs. 78% of female survivors and 48% of male survivors experience some form of injury related to violence from their intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, Data from United States Crime Reports suggest that 1 in 5 homicide victims are killed by an intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, the lifetime economic cost associated with, medical services, intimate partner violence injuries, lost productivity from paid work, criminal justice and others are \$3.6 trillion. The average cost of domestic violence over a lifetime for a woman is \$103,767 and for men is \$23, 414 according to the

CDC; and

WHEREAS, Children suffer from Domestic Violence. Every year 1 in 15 children are exposed to intimate partner violence, and 90% of these children are eyewitnesses to Domestic violence;

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has worked to address Domestic Violence issues by creating a 24 hotline for Orders of Protection through the Circuit Court of Cook County.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Cook County continues to recognize October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month;

BE IT FURTH RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, Cook County Health and the Cook County Department of Public in partnership with City, State, and Federal agencies and community organizations continue to create programs, training, provide educational resources, (including counseling and therapy) to bring awareness to and eradicate Domestic Violence.