



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY
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Virtual Meeting

Consent Agenda

Thursday, July 30, 2020, 10:00 AM

Second Set

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

WHEREAS, our nation committed itself to the elimination of discrimination against people with disabilities on July 26, 1990 when the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was signed into law; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, the National Council on Disability (NCD) recommended enactment of an ADA, and drafted the first version of the bill which was introduced in the House and Senate in 1988; and

WHEREAS, after the spectacular Senate vote of 76 to 8 on September 7, 1989, the Bill went to the House where it was considered by an unprecedented four Committees and later approved and signed as a law; and

WHEREAS, modeled after the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin - and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 -- the ADA is an "equal opportunity" law for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the ADA is a wide-ranging civil rights law that prohibits discrimination based on disability and offers similar protections against discrimination to Americans with disabilities as the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which made discrimination based on race, religion, sex, national origin, and other characteristics illegal; and

WHEREAS, the ADA began with the establishment of the independent living movement which challenged the notion that people with disabilities needed to be institutionalized, and which fought for and provided services for people with disabilities to live in the community; and

WHEREAS, the hard work and the coalescing of lawyers and advocates, top level negotiators and policy analysts, disability organizations, lobbyists, protesters, witnesses, and many more groups from all areas of the Country formed the disability rights movement to help the passage of the ADA; and

WHEREAS, people with disabilities went to Washington D.C. to talk to members of Congress, to advocate for the Bill, and to explain why each provision was necessary while others wrote letters, attended town meetings, and made endless phone calls; and

WHEREAS, for the first time, the exclusion and segregation of people with disabilities was viewed as discrimination; and

WHEREAS, the ADA was the world's first comprehensive declaration of equality for people with disabilities and recognition that the surest path to America's continued vitality, strength and vibrancy is through the full realization of the contributions of all of its citizens. It was a collaborative effort of Democrats, Republicans, the legislative and the executive branches, federal and state agencies, and people with and without disabilities; and

WHEREAS, before the ADA, no federal law prohibited private sector discrimination against people with disabilities, absent a federal grant or contract; and

WHEREAS, the ADA protects people with both mental and physical disabilities regardless of the severity or permanency of such disability; and

WHEREAS, the ADA requires covered employers to provide reasonable accommodations to employees with disabilities, and imposes accessibility requirements on public accommodations; and

WHEREAS, the ADA was created on a basic presumption that people with disabilities want to, and are capable of contributing to their communities, and that exclusion and segregation cannot be tolerated; and

WHEREAS, the passage of the ADA has enhanced dignified treatment towards persons with a disability and enshrines their accommodations as a civil right.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does, hereby joins the rest of the Country in celebration of the 30th anniversary of the monumental signing of the American Disabilities Act (ADA); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this text 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

PROMOTING MINORITY HEALTH AWARENESS AND SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH IN JULY 2020

WHEREAS, according to the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), nearly one in five adults in the United States has experienced mental illness; and

WHEREAS, seventy percent of youth in the juvenile justice system have a diagnosed mental illness and these systems also contained a high percentages of underserved minority youth, many of them from Black and Latinx communities; and

WHEREAS, forty-five percent of individuals who are homeless in the United States have a mental illness and one major risk factor for homelessness is mental illness, and the inability to access affordable, supportive mental healthcare; and

WHEREAS, depression is the leading cause of disability worldwide; and

WHEREAS, anyone can experience mental health illness regardless of their race, color, gender or identity but access to mental health treatment and services is much more difficult for communities of color due to disparities in access to mental health; and

WHEREAS, for minorities who may have less access to care and who face more cultural stigma are even more discouraged to seek the proper support and therefore long-term, sustained efforts are needed to improve access to culturally informed, evidence-based quality mental health care; and

WHEREAS, the current world pandemic is disproportionately impacting communities of color at a higher rate and is also affecting people's mental health due to the increase in anxiety and emotional distress; and

WHEREAS, every family, youth, adult and community should have the resources and knowledge to discuss mental health concerns, connect with appropriate support, and have access to effective mental health care; and

WHEREAS, diversity in the mental health workforce is important to provide culturally competent evidence-based prevention, and treatment services for diverse communities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Cook County President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize July 2020 as "National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this honorable body supports the goal of addressing racial and ethnic disparities in mental health care in Cook County and this country.

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Sponsored by: BRIDGET DEGNEN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION HONORING LIVES LOST IN DISTRICT 12 DUE TO COVID-19

WHEREAS, Covid-19 has been the worst pandemic in modern history, affecting our lives and health in immeasurable ways, while claiming the lives of too many; and

WHEREAS, as of July 27th, the Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic has claimed 64 lives in the

Twelfth District of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, our most vulnerable populations and communities at risk have been most seriously affected by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, many have suffered and died from COVID-19 in isolation, without the touch and comfort of their friends and family, and many more have lost the opportunity to engage in traditional memorial and funeral gatherings honoring the lives of those who have passed, leaving family and loved ones to grieve in isolation; and

WHEREAS, victims of COVID-19 are more than a statistic, each affected person led a unique life that was cut short by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, as our County slowly reopens, we must remain vigilant against the spread of the disease, and know our actions will affect the health, safety and lives of our neighbors;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Cook County mourns the loss of lives of those who have passed away due to COVID-19; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution also serve as a reminder that as our County slowly reopens, we must recognize that the health of our neighborhood, District and County is bound together.

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Sponsored by: BRIDGET DEGNEN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF HAYLEY ORLINSKY

WHEREAS, Hayley Orlinsky is a 7-year old residing in Jefferson Park in the 12th District of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Hayley spent the first days of her life in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Hayley understood that due to COVID-19, hospitals were facing shortages of masks, ventilators and other supplies, and decided to help raise funds for Lurie Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Hayley enjoyed making Rainbow Loom bracelets during her time in quarantine and decided to put her talents to use by selling them to raise money for Lurie Hospital. Hayley recruited and organized friends to help make bracelets, and together they have made more than 7,000 bracelets; and

WHEREAS, in the first six (6) hours of her fundraiser, Hayley raised \$1,500, which was matched by her grandparents. Her customers include Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot, Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker,

Hamilton Chicago star Miguel Cervantes and Cook County Commissioner Bridget Degnen; and

WHEREAS, as of July 27th, Hayley raised \$18,449.16 for Lurie Children’s Hospital.

WHEREAS, Hayley took the initiative make something she loved to support her community. These colorful bracelets represent the hope that we can all do something to support our front line responders, and Hayley is a reminder that each of us can support our community using our talents with modest resources. She is honored to unite people from all walks of life under one meaningful and special cause.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners recognizes the work of Hayley Orlinsky in raising money for Lurie Children’s Hospital and bringing a smile to people’s faces with her bracelets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Hayley to celebrate her resourcefulness, tenacity and generosity.

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Sponsored by: BRIDGET GAINER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF ILLINOIS FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO EMPOWERING VOTERS AND CELEBRATING THE 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE ADOPTION OF THE 19TH AMENDMENT INTO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, on February 14, 1920, the League of Women Voters was officially founded in Chicago as a “mighty political experiment” designed to help 20 million women carry out their new responsibilities as women; and,

WHEREAS, since its inception, the League of Women Voters organized and supported suffrage leaders to advocate for the ratification of the 19th Amendment; and,

WHEREAS, on May 21, 1919, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the 19th Amendment; and 2 weeks later, the U.S. Senate followed; and,

WHEREAS, on August 18, 1920, Tennessee, the 36th state, ratified the 19th Amendment and the three-fourths requirement for the passage of the legislation was completed; and,

WHEREAS, on August 26, 1920, the Amendment was formally made into law and adopted into the U.S. Constitution by proclamation of Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby certifying the ratification; and,

WHEREAS, the 19th Amendment guarantees women the right to vote; and,

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2020 League of Women Voters celebrated 100 years of work dedicated to empowering voters and defending democracy; and,

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters continues to advocate for election protection, democratic reforms and equal access to the ballot, while maintaining a commitment to nonpartisanship and fostering an informed electorate; and,

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters remains nonpartisan and works to influence public policy through education and advocacy; and,

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters serves to inform voters through voter registration activities, sponsoring candidate debates, publishing voter guides and public policy research and holding conferences on key issues.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Cook County Board of Commissioners and residents of Cook County honor the League of Women Voter of Illinois for their contribution to empowering voters and celebrate the 100-year anniversary of the adoption of the 19th Amendment into the U.S. Constitution.

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

REMEMBERING AND HONORING THE LIFE OF KRISTIN ARIELLE OLIVER

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom called from our midst Kristin Arielle Oliver on Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at the age of 31; and

WHEREAS, Kristin was born in Country Club Hills, IL on February 4, 1989 to Pamela and Kelvin Oliver, their second baby girl after big sister Tiffani; and

WHEREAS, Kristin would follow in the footsteps of her big sister being baptized at Holy Name of Mary Church in Chicago, and started school at St. Emeric Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, growing up, Kristin learned dance as an expression of her style and grace, with ballet and tap recitals becoming the norm year after year; and

WHEREAS, later she would become a cheerleader for the County Club Hills Cougars, and at the young age of 5 a childhood friend introduced her to ice skating, and she would enroll for lessons at Homewood

Flossmoor Ice Arena; and

WHEREAS, athleticism, strength and determination to succeed would lead her to try out for the competitive figure skating dance team the Icettes, and her love of ice dancing prompted her to pursue both solo and couples dance performance, which in turn lead to competing in figure skating competitions around the country earning many 1st place trophies, plaques and ribbons along the way; and

WHEREAS, Kristin attended Huth Middle School and later matriculated to Rich Central High School, where she would win a spot on the cheerleading squad for all four years; and

WHEREAS, her service heart and sense of civic duty led her to organize a voter registration drive and a get out the vote campaign for a village election in addition to running for student council; and

WHEREAS, the lessons learned through competition would carry her through high school, college and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Kristin pursued her higher education at Tennessee State University majoring in Business Management while again winning a spot on the cheerleading squad; and

WHEREAS, while at university, Kristin would broaden her horizons and knowledge by studying abroad as part of the Consortium for International Studies, an international marketing group, leading her to study in Amsterdam, Holland and Brussels, Belgium and instilling in her a love of nature and world cultures that would include more global adventures in the future; and

WHEREAS, after graduation from university, Kristin would return to Chicago where she would become a Production Assistant for the nationally syndicated Judge Mathis television show; and

WHEREAS, she would go on to pursue the AT & T Business Sales Leadership program, a highly competitive 9-month intensive training program in Atlanta, GA, which upon successful completion would lead Kristin to be placed in Corporate sales in Charlotte, NC where she was recognized by regional managers for her accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Kristin would later move to another telecom giant Verizon Fleetmatics, where she would be a Business Development Representative all the while using her business acumen and entrepreneurial spirit to start her own business "Blink Beauty"; and

WHEREAS, throughout her life, family, friends and her spirituality played vital roles and would provide her strength and comfort when she became ill; and

WHEREAS, Kristin is survived by her parents Kelvin and Pamela, sister Tiffani, brother Kendall, grandparents Wilbert Jr. and Dorothy Oliver and a multitude of other family and friends, who will forever cherish her memory;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby offer its deepest condolences and heartfelt sympathy to the family and loved ones of Kristin Arielle Oliver; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and a suitable copy be presented to the family of Kristin Arielle Oliver so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MICHAEL MANNO

WHEREAS, Michael Manno was called home to be with the Lord on June 21, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Michael Manno was born on April 21, 1952; and

WHEREAS, Michael Manno was a lifelong resident of Lansing, Illinois where he graduated from T.F. South, and attended the University of Illinois where he earned his B.A. Degree in Law Enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Michael Manno started his career in public service with the Lansing Public Works Department. In 1978, he joined the Lansing Police Department where he faithfully served for 35 years. He was involved with the police department's Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) and Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) programs. It was also during this period that he became most known for his positive and uplifting interactions with numerous youths in Lansing schools; and

WHEREAS, in April of 2013, Mayor Patty Eidam, Village of Lansing, appointed Michael Manno as a Village Trustee. He served as chair of the LNN, Information Technology, ADA Committee, and as co-chair of the Youth Center and Insurance Committee. Mayor Eidam described Michael Manno as mentor when she first joined as a police officer with the Lansing Police Department who became a friend and supporter to her and so many others in the community; and

WHEREAS, Michael Manno was active in the Lansing community where he served as a member of the District 171 School Board, president of the TF South Booster Club, the Lansing Lions Football Organization, coach in the Lansing Girls' Softball Program, and as the chairman of the Marion Catholic High School fundraising committee. He also served as a member on the Board of Directors of the Lansing Association for Community Events and a member of the Lansing Volunteer Recognition Committee; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, Michael Manno became the first male to win the Lansing Athena Award for his dedication to the community and supporting women in their professional and leadership development; and

WHEREAS, Michael Manno's greatest joy was spending time with his family. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Kathleen Manno, his three daughters, Dana (Craig) Parkhill, Renee Manno, and Nikki Manno, and one granddaughter, Harper Parkhill; 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 does hereby honor and celebrate the life of Michael Manno and his many contributions bettering the lives of all residents in Lansing, Illinois; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered to the family of Michael Manno and the Village of Lansing.

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING DR. WILLIS L. LONZER, III AS THE NEW GENERAL PRESIDENT OF ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INCORPORATED

WHEREAS, Dr. Willis L. Lonzer, III was born on March 7, 1963 in Richmond, Virginia. Dr. Lonzer, III attended Delaware State University where he earned a Bachelors of Science Degree in Chemistry and a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Biochemistry from the University of Akron; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Willis L. Lonzer, III was awarded a National Institutes of Health sponsored Postdoctoral Fellowship in Physiology and Biophysics at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine. While at Case Western Reserve University, Dr. Lonzer, III's research involved understanding the structure and function of proteins and enzymes while providing insight into the pathophysiology of diseases such as Cystic Fibrosis, Alzheimer's Disease, and more; and

WHEREAS, after a brief tenure in academia, Dr. Willis L. Lonzer, III has over 20 years of global corporate experience in research and development with companies such as AstraZeneca, Johnson & Johnson, Abbott, AbbVie, and Takeda/Shire Pharmaceuticals. Dr. Lonzer, III currently serves as the Regional Medical Director at Horizon Therapeutics, a global biopharmaceutical company; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Willis L. Lonzer, III is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated where he was initiated at Delaware State University through the Gamma Sigma Chapter on November 15, 1986.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated is the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity for African-American Men founded on December 4, 1906 at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. The fraternity has played a fundamental role in the positive development of the character and education of more than 200,000 men; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Willis L. Lonzer, III's fraternal service has included serving as a Chapter President at the college and alumni levels-Area Director, District Director of Ohio, and as the Midwestern Regional Vice President. Dr. Lonzer, III has also served on multiple committees on the regional and national levels of the fraternity. He is currently a member of the Xi Lambda Chapter in Chicago, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2020, Dr. Everett B. Ward, the 35th General President of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, announced the selection of Dr. Willis L. Lonzer, III as the 36th General President of this illustrious fraternity. In this role, Dr. Lonzer, III will provide strategic direction and leadership to the oldest Greek-letter organization for African-American Men; and

WHEREAS, one of the greatest joys for Dr. Willis L. Lonzer, III is his family. Dr. Lonzer, III is married to Pamela Lonzer and is the proud father of two adult sons and a teenage daughter. Dr. Lonzer, III and his family currently lives in Chicago, Illinois; 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 does hereby honor and congratulate Dr. Willis L. Lonzer, III's selection as the 36th General President of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated and his many contributions bettering the lives of all residents in Cook County and across the world; 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. Willis L. Lonzer, III and his family for this special recognition.

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF ROBERT EDWARD JANES

WHEREAS, Robert Edward Janes, 91 of Evanston, passed away Friday, July 24, 2020 at Auberge Orchard Park Assisted Living in Morton Grove. A lifelong Cubs fan, he died peacefully on Cubs opening day and hours before he turned 92. Covid-19 blew out his birthday candle; and

WHEREAS, born July 25, 1928 in Evanston, Bob was the son of the late Leonard Reed Janes and the

late Lucie Janes, nee Fogel. He was a lifelong Evanstonian. He was proud to be an Eagle Scout, Korean War veteran, and dedicated community volunteer. He played (clarinet) for his alma mater Northwestern in two Rose Bowl games - 1949 and 1996. He worked as a CPA and used his accounting skills to be the volunteer treasurer for countless civic and political organizations. He was an elected Lighthouse Park District Commissioner and their treasurer; and

WHEREAS, Bob had many interests. He served as an election judge whenever he could, made sure his family always voted, donated blood regularly and always found a way to help. He was an avid sailor and worked to clean up Lake Michigan. He was a long-time member and volunteer at Northminster Presbyterian Church. He taught his family to recycle before it was a thing. He loved reading and studying maps. He road tripped across America and travelled the world with his family. He skied and hiked the mountains of Colorado until well into his mid-80s. He went on an Honor Flight at age 88. He was a faithful Cubs fan who lived long enough to see them win a World Series; and

WHEREAS, Bob is survived by his beloved wife of 54 years, Barbara-Jean Janes, nee Payne; children Trina (Greg Smith) and Greg (Leslie); grandchildren Jackson, Mackenzie, Zach, the late Henry, Nathaniel, and Theo; and his dog Skye; and

WHEREAS, his family is thankful to have had a chance to say goodbye to him while some wore PPE in his room and others looked in his room window from outside and said goodbye via speakerphone. Bob lived a long, full life. He was soft-spoken and loyal to the bone. His family believes that he was just the nicest guy on the planet.

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 contributions of Robert Edward Janes, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable contributions he has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; and

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