



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY
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Second Consent Agenda

for the

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, January 13, 2016, 11:00 AM

16-1057

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

COMMEMORATING THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE AND LEGACY OF ROGER PASCAL

WHEREAS, Roger Pascal, a man whose exceptional wisdom and compassion led him to a stellar legal career that spanned over half a century, died in December, leaving behind family, friends, colleagues and a community enriched for having known him; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pascal grew up in Rogers Park and graduated from Highland Park High School. He attended the University of Michigan and Harvard University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pascal served as general counsel to the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois for thirty years and as a partner at Schiff, Hardin LLP for fifty years; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pascal's legal legacy is lengthy and cannot be overstated. He will long be remembered in particular for his challenge to the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services which brought about important changes for those in the foster care system and for creating new and important legal doctrines that had a major impact on trade-secrets case law; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pascal, in addition to being a highly successful litigator and chair of his law firm's litigation practice took seriously his commitment to pro bono work. His work as legal counsel to the America Civil Liberties Union brought about profound and lasting reform that has expanded nationwide. One of his major victories was the decentralization of high-rise public housing in Chicago; his suit brought into use the Gautreaux process, now a national model for scattered site, low-density public housing. He successfully led the challenge to conditions at Illinois state psychiatric hospitals, and challenged the abusive and unlawful detention of a legal resident following the terrorist attacks of 911. His work challenging government watch lists and the repeated, lengthy, and abusive detentions of American citizens reentering the U.S made him nothing short of legendary; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pascal's commitment to justice, due process, and the future of the legal profession inspired his participation in numerous organizations. He served on the board of the Public Interest Law Initiative and the Schiff Hardin/Howard Area Community Center Legal Clinic, which he helped establish and where he served regular shifts for many years. He also helped create the James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy, an organization that provides low income Evanston youth and their families with legal and social work services. Countless lives have been improved as a direct result of the important work of each of these organizations; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pascal and his wife Missy were leaders in the city of Evanston and the Chicago neighborhood of Rogers Park on any issue that improved the quality of life, especially for young people;

and

WHEREAS, Roger Pascal not only volunteered his considerable legal abilities he also volunteered his talents as a pilot, sharing his love of aviation in a program that gives urban children their first experiences of flight. He also regularly flew medical missions with LifeLine Pilots transporting patients to hospitals across the country; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pascal was a man with many distinct passions. He was a lover and supporter of jazz. He performed with his band the Rip Chords and served on the board of the Jazz Institute of Chicago. He and his wife Martha were passionate scuba divers; his office was decorated with his photos of exotic fish. He was a talented baker who regularly shared with family and friends his homemade bread; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pascal was the beloved husband of Martha Pascal and the loving father of three: Deborah, Diane, and David; grandchildren Sam and Bennett Pascal, and Sofia Hogue; and his brothers, Charles and Ross Pascal; 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 who he served dutifully, commemorates the life of Roger Pascal, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable contributions he has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; and

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 Roger Pascal.

16-1064

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE SHABBONA PARK SAINTS PEE WEE FOOTBALL TEAM AND THE 11 Y.O. SHABBONA PARK SAINTS CHEERLEADER SQUAD, FOR THEIR AMAZING 2015 SEASON AND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES

WHEREAS, the Shabbona Park Saints Pee Wee football team started the 2015 season with a burning desire to bring home a National Championship Title, which had escaped them for the past 2 years; and

WHEREAS, the season's game opening's loss against Tri City, although overwhelming, strengthened the team members' commitment to their goals and to undertaking the challenging road to victory; and

WHEREAS, after an exciting triumph against Park Ridge brought the team closer to finding their groove, a new trial and final lesson was waiting for them. On week 3 of the season, during a nail biting

game against the Addison Cowboys, where the parents chanted, the crowd roared and the team fought harder than ever, several tough penalties cost them the game; and

WHEREAS, the remainder of the regular season, brought the sweet feeling of reaching the playoffs to a team that remained undefeated against Wildwood, Joliet, Leyden, Plainfield, and Westchester. These young warriors were now 3 games away from the Chicagoland United Youth Football League (UYFL) Pee Wee Title; and

WHEREAS, 3 more amazing victories against Plainfield, Addison and Homewood, gave them the chance to bring home the National Title! The coaches prepared the players over the next 3 weeks. A true team had formed, they were family and they were ready; and

WHEREAS, the National Title would take them through 3 more games during a week in Florida, games that brought excitement, some disappointment, and great expectations. The final encounter came down to the last quarter. The Shabbona Park Saints Pee Wee football team defeated the Hornets 21-20, bringing the year to a perfect ending. They are now the UYFL Pee Wee Division National Champions; and

WHEREAS, while focusing on learning spirited cheerleading routines for the competition for their own titles, the 11 Y.O. Shabbona Park Saints Cheerleading Squad, comprised of mostly new members, attended and cheered at every one of the Shabbona Park Saints Pee Wee football games; and

WHEREAS, just 2 days after securing a spot at Nationals in Tampa, the Cheerleading Squad's beloved head coach, "Coach Amy" passed away unexpectedly, leaving the squad without a coach and devastated by the loss; and

WHEREAS, the squad members unanimously decided that "Coach Amy" would want them to finish what they had begun, and enlisted the help of the mother of one of their members who had been a previous cheerleading coach and who agreed to step into the role of the head coach. The new head coach and the assistant coaches provided their knowledge and unconditional support to their team, working through several emotional breakdowns at every practice; and

WHEREAS, on the day of Coach Amy's funeral, the squad cheered for their Pee-Wee football team during the National Championship football game, inspiring them to come from behind to win by one point. Several of the boys and their parents acknowledged that the encouragement that the cheerleading squad gave to them during the game helped to motivate them even more onto the win; and

WHEREAS, at the Cheerleading Nationals Competition, the Shabbona Park Saints 11 Y.O. cheerleading squad, having overcome true adversity, once again became the little team that could and won the National Title. After their performance, each squad member received a picture of "Coach Amy" holding a team photo of the 11 Y.O. cheerleading squad that had been taken 4 weeks earlier at the regional competition. It was clear that this squad was destined to be National Champions. "Coach Amy" had been with them the entire time; and

WHEREAS, these two amazing teams have learned that there is more to playing sports than just competing. They were taught discipline, sportsmanship, hard work, reliability, how to make sacrifices and how to deal with failure. Most importantly, they learned to work together and build confidence in

themselves and their teammates. The 2015 season brought many up's and down's, tough games and tougher losses. These young athletes also learned that in sports, as in all things in life, they must never give up. It is with that drive and dreams that these two teams find themselves CHAMPIONS; thanks to their dedication, determination and the uncompromising pursuit of their dreams.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize the incredible odds that the Shabbona Park Saints Pee Wee Team and the 11 Y.O. Shabbona Park Saints Cheerleading Squad had to overcome and congratulate these two teams' members, coaches, and parents, on their attainment of their respective National Championship Titles; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners do also extend their deepest condolences and heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Coach Amy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and ceremonial copies of this resolution be presented to the members of the Shabbona Park Saints Pee Wee Team and the 11 Y.O. Shabbona Park Saints Cheerleading Squad.

16-0558

Sponsored by: ROBERT STEELE, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING MR. KENDALL C. JONES BEING AWARDED THE LINCOLN ACADEMY OF ILLINOIS ABRAHAM LINCOLN CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AWARD

WHEREAS, On Saturday, November 7, 2015, Kendall C. Jones was awarded the Abraham Lincoln Civic Engagement Award and thereby becomes a Student Laureate of the Lincoln Academy of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Kendall C. Jones was awarded the Abraham Lincoln Civic Engagement Award for his leadership and service in the pursuit of the betterment of humanity and for overall excellence in curricular and extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, Kendall is currently a senior at VanderCook College of Music, pursuing a Bachelor of Music Education degree; and

WHEREAS, Kendall grew up in Lake Villa, Illinois, and began playing saxophone in fifth grade at Pleviak Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Kendall attended Grayslake North High School, where he played in concert band, jazz band, jazz combo, marching band, and the pit orchestra; and

WHEREAS, Kendall began to explore his interest in teaching junior year when he became section leader in concert band and marching band, and became leader of the jazz combo; and

WHEREAS, Kendall attended the College of Lake County in Grayslake, where he pursued and received an Associate Degree in Music Performance for saxophone in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Kendall plays in the Symphonic Band, Concert Choir, Philharmonic Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, and Jazz Combo at VanderCook. He has also served as the treasurer for the VanderCook chapter of the National Association for Music Education for 2 years. Through these ensembles and positions, Kendall has advanced himself as a musician, performer, and leader; and

WHEREAS, Kendall has performed with multiple swing bands and jazz combos, performing at many locations such as receptions, weddings, and as a house band; and

WHEREAS, when Kendall receives his degree from VanderCook, he hopes to teach band, jazz band, and orchestra to a high school group. He also hopes to keep performing as much as possible and to continue pushing himself to become the best musician he can be. This extra musicianship will enable him to become the best teacher possible for his students and help him share his passion with every student he meets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Robert B. Steele President Pro-Tempore of the Cook County Board along with the Cook County Board of Commissioners, and on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County, do hereby congratulate Mr. Kendall C. Jones for being awarded the Abraham Lincoln Civic Engagement Award and thereby becoming a Student Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to Mr. Kendall C. Jones and a copy is spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body.

16-1071

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING KIMBERLEY A. SCHAFFER ON HER 28 YEARS OF SERVICE TO COOK COUNTY AND RETIREMENT FROM THE BUREAU OF HUMAN RESOURCES

WHEREAS, On January 13, 2016, the Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners recognize and applaud the retirement of Kimberley A. Schaffer, Manager of Classification & Compensation; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Schaffer began working in Cook County's Human Resources Department as a Job Specialist on January 19, 1988 and went on to have an illustrious career; and

WHEREAS, Kimberley will forever be remembered for assisting Managers, Department Heads, Deputy Bureau Chiefs and Bureau Chiefs on issues regarding re-organizations, implementing wage increases, creating job descriptions and providing historical County knowledge during her 28 years of employment;

and

WHEREAS, in addition to being a welcoming resource for all who relied on her years of County experience, Kimberley has left a legacy of being a leader and supporting other human resources staff employed in the offices under the President; the Cook County Health & Hospital System; the Cook County Forest Preserve; and assisting elected officials in solving human resource challenges; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, Kimberley's greatest achievements included successful projects such as, automating the county's electronic job description approval process, converting the paper-based compensation pay scales into an electronic format and being instrumental in developing the Request To Hire process. One of her most significant accomplishments was simultaneously managing both the Recruitment and Compensation/Classification divisions while updating and implementing several compensation plans affecting more than 26,000 employees; and

WHEREAS, Kimberley Schaffer will be genuinely missed by her co-workers who relied on her uncanny ability to accurately memorize over 6000 job codes and department numbers without the use of any reference guide; and

WHEREAS, Kimberley will thoroughly enjoy her retirement spending time with her husband (Dave), mother (Jan), sister (Sharon) and two brothers; spending time in Michigan and vacationing to exotic beach locations to relax in the sun.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, will gather together on the 13th day of January, 2016 A.D., to honor and commend Kimberley A. Schaffer for her years of service and wish her a long and enjoyable retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution will be prepared and presented to Kimberley A. Schaffer and her family as evidence of the esteem in which she is held.

16-1072

Sponsored by: PETER N. SILVESTRI, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE BAND CHICAGO FOR ITS INDUCTION INTO THE ROCK AND ROLL HALL OF FAME

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2016, the band Chicago will be inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, in 1967, Chicago and Chicago-area musicians Walter Parazaider (saxophonist), Danny Seraphine (drummer), Lee Loughnane (trumpeter), James Pankow (trombonist), Robert Lamm (keyboardist), Peter Cetera (bassist), and the late Terry Kath (guitarist), formed a group with one dream: to integrate all the musical diversity from their beloved city and weave a new sound-a rock 'n' roll band with horns; and

WHEREAS, after playing locally and then in Los Angeles, the band, The Chicago Transit Authority (later shortened to Chicago), recorded its first album in 1969. They had amassed so much material by then they decided to make a statement by debuting with a double album; and

WHEREAS, although AM radio was nowhere near ready for their music and the length of their songs, the album was an underground hit, embraced by FM radio and college students; and

WHEREAS, the album Chicago II drew for inspiration classical music on the one hand and the volatile political situation unfolding in their city and around the country on the other; and

WHEREAS, to get a single from Chicago II playable on AM radio, the label (Columbia) excerpted two songs, “Make Me Smile” and “Colour My World,” from Pankow’s 13-minute suite, “Ballet for a Girl in Buchannon,” and released them as the two sides of a single. The single reached the Top 10 while Chicago II immediately went gold; and

WHEREAS, after their second hit, “25 or 6 to 4,” they decided to try to re-stimulate interest in their first album, and released “Does Anybody Really Know What Time It Is?,” which became their third Top 10 hit in a row by the start of 1971; and

WHEREAS, the year 1975 marked an early commercial peak in Chicago’s career, a year during which the band scored its fourth straight Number 1 album, all its previous albums were back in the charts, and its worldwide record sales for this single year were a staggering 20 million copies; and

WHEREAS, the big hit from their new album, Chicago X, released in 1976, was a song that barely made the final cut. Cetera’s “If You Leave Me Now” came about only after they decided they needed one more song. The song became Chicago’s first Billboard singles topper and also topped charts around the world; and

WHEREAS, part of the band’s longevity can be attributed to its efforts to value the group effort over individual egos, which is reflected in the name, the logo, and the facelessness of the first eleven album covers; and

WHEREAS, for the last several decades, Chicago has recorded and toured with great success and continues to be ambassadors for their beloved hometown, carrying the city’s name with pride and dignity around the world; and

WHEREAS, considered one of the longest running and most successful pop/rock ‘n’ roll groups in history, Chicago is the highest charting American band in Billboard magazine’s list of Top 100 artists of all time, coming in at Number 13; and

WHEREAS, Chicago was chosen to be inducted by more than 800 voters of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Foundation as well as by besting all competitors to earn the 2016 fan vote, with an impressive 37,666,962 votes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate the band Chicago on the occasion of its induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

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 band Chicago.