



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY
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Consent Agenda

for the

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, May 11, 2016, 11:00 AM

16-2871

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

BERNARD J. SULLIVAN, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan was the beloved husband of Joan (nee Costello) for many wonderful years; and

WHEREAS, Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan was the loving father of Therese “Terry” (Kevin) Scanlan, Bernard “Barry” (Monica) Sullivan, and Geralyn “Gerry” Snyder; and

WHEREAS, Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan was the cherished grandfather of Eileen, Noreen, Erin, Clare, Kathleen, Moira, Brendan, Bernard, and Bridget; and

WHEREAS, Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan was the adoring great-grandfather of Vicki, Victor, Luciano and Lola; and

WHEREAS, Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan proudly served his country in the United States Navy in 1945 and 1946; and

WHEREAS, Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan was a graduate of Loyola University of Chicago in 1950; and

WHEREAS, Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan was a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Illinois Society of Certified Public Accountants and the Government Finance Officers Association; and

WHEREAS, Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan was a member of the Beverly Country Club, the Metropolitan Club, the Elks and the Knights of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan was a kind and compassionate man, virtuous of character and gentle in spirit, admired and respected by his many friends and neighbors, and dearly loved by his family; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan, and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to the family of Bernard J. “Bud” Sullivan so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

16-2907

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

MEMORIAL DAY

WHEREAS, Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is celebrated annually on the last Monday of May, and is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our Nation’s service; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day is a time for the Nation to appropriately remember and honor our American heroes; and

WHEREAS, our service men and women answered the call of duty and made the ultimate sacrifice to maintain the security of our country and the liberties we hold so dear; and

WHEREAS, our Nation is honor bound to remember those who died on distant shores defending our country and our way of life; and

WHEREAS, citizens across Cook County, the State of Illinois and the entire United States will pause to remember the sacrifices of men and women who died in service to our nation; and

WHEREAS, on this Memorial Day, as throughout the year, we pray for the families of the fallen and show our respect for the contributions these service members made to the continuation of American freedom; and

WHEREAS, our grateful Nation honors their selfless service, and we recognize a debt of honor beyond our capability to repay; and

WHEREAS, Americans must never allow ourselves to forget the contributions made by those who served and those who gave their lives to protect the freedom and democracy for our country; and

WHEREAS, it is important to show our gratitude for all our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, and Merchant Mariners who died in the service of our Nation that we might continue to enjoy the liberties we so deeply cherish.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President and the Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, do hereby recognize Monday, May 30, 2016, as Memorial Day and pay tribute to those who served and those who died with a sense of honor, duty and dedication for the United States of America.

16-2921

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

DANIEL V. CAPUANO, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Daniel V. Capuano from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano was the beloved husband and best friend of Julie (nee Hauser); and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano was the devoted father of Amanda, Andrew and Nicholas; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano was the loving son of Michael and Jacquelyn (nee Tassone) Capuano; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano was the dearest brother of Michael (Katherine) and Patrick (Nicolette) Capuano; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano was the dearest son-in-law of Ronald and Jeanne Hauser; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano was the fond brother-in-law of Robert (Nicole) Hauser and Amy (Jeremy) Bolen; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano was the proud uncle of Alissa, Isabella, Delilah, Bodhi, Lucas, Madison, Hannah, Jacob, Joshua, Joseph and Justin; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano was an active member of the Mt. Greenwood neighborhood and a parishioner at Queen of Martyrs Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano was a coach for the St. Jude Hockey Club; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano was a firefighter with the Chicago and Evergreen Fire Departments; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano spent his career putting the safety of others ahead of his own and died heroically while in the line of duty fighting a fire on December 14, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Daniel V. Capuano touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that Daniel V. Capuano was a kind and compassionate man, virtuous of character and gentle in spirit, admired and respected by his many friends and neighbors, and dearly loved by his family; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Daniel V. Capuano, and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to the family of Daniel V. Capuano so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

16-3044

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE CHICAGO LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND ON ITS 110TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Founded in 1906 on Chicago’s West Side, The Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind has been a pioneer in innovation across the areas of vision care, rehabilitation, education, employment and technology for 110 years; and,

WHEREAS, Since its inception, Chicago Lighthouse activities have included collecting donated food and clothing from area women’s clubs, as well as teaching employable skills like weaving and carpentry for permanent job attainment; and,

WHEREAS, The Chicago Lighthouse has remained diligent and dedicated through two world wars and the worst economic depression in history. The organization continues to provide opportunities for employment, empowerment and independence to individuals facing life with vision loss; and,

WHEREAS, Over several decades, the Lighthouse’s mission has grown to include clinical vision care, with the establishment of the first low vision rehabilitation clinic in the Midwest. In 1955, The Lighthouse opened the doors of a facility in Chicago’s Medical District, dedicated by the world-renowned advocate for the deaf and the blind, Helen Keller; and,

WHEREAS, The Lighthouse earned an exclusive clock manufacturing contract from the federal government in the late 1970s and, over the next two decades, saw the facility double in size and expand its services to a North Shore satellite location, marking the beginning of a growing regional footprint; and,

WHEREAS, Former Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley called the Lighthouse one of the most “comprehensive social service agencies in the United States,” given the diversity of programs and beneficiaries of Lighthouse services; and,

WHEREAS, Today, The Chicago Lighthouse serves more than 67,000 people each year, and remains committed to growing that impact by expanding critical programs, forging collaborative partnerships, and creatively approaching the challenges that individuals with visual impairments face daily;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners, that The Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind is to be congratulated, and that the sincere appreciation of the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners is to be extended to The Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind for its service to the region over a period of 110 years.

16-3063

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING MAY 22, 2016 AS “STOP THE STIGMA SUNDAY”

WHEREAS, in 2013 President Barack Obama proclaimed May to be National Mental Health Awareness Month; and,

WHEREAS, in 2011 Illinois made greater reductions in state funding for mental health than any other state in the United States of America; and,

WHEREAS, the current round of state budget negotiations in Springfield indicates that Illinois is on track to continue its status as one of the poorest funders of mental health services in the nation; and,

WHEREAS, according to Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart, the reduction in funding for mental health services across multiple levels of government, has resulted in the Cook County Jail being the largest mental health facility in the state and possibly the nation; and,

WHEREAS, according to a joint report authored by the Mental Health Movement of Chicago and AFSCME Council 31, Chicago’s closure of half of its mental health clinics in April of 2012 resulted in a failure by the City of Chicago to account for hundreds and perhaps thousands of people who had depended on these clinics for mental health treatment services; and,

WHEREAS, that same report, entitled “Abandoning the Most Vulnerable,” cites a complete lack of a comprehensive effort to determine how many people lost access to mental health treatment services after the Chicago clinic closures and similar lack of effort to make contact with the individuals who lost access to treatment and connect them with new service providers; and,

WHEREAS, Cook County, which is charged with providing services to the most vulnerable members of our local population, deals every day with the consequences of an inadequate safety net that has stranded too many of our residents without access to care that they urgently need; and,

WHEREAS, we count among those consequences an overcrowded Jail, court system and Juvenile Temporary Detention Center, all of which constitute a significant drain on Cook County’s budget and resources; and,

WHEREAS, in addition to funding barriers, the stigma associated with having a mental illness has prevented many people from receiving the treatment they require; and,

WHEREAS, churches across Cook County will be hosting a program called “Stop the Stigma Sunday” on Sunday May 22, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, in recognition of “Stop the Stigma Sunday,” clergy and church leaders will feature in their sermons and Sunday programs a segment on mental health destigmatization; and,

WHEREAS, as part of “Stop the Stigma Sunday,” materials will be provided to clergy and church leadership to assist them in crafting their presentations to their congregations; and,

WHEREAS, as it is good, fitting and appropriate that Cook County government should lend its support to such a critical initiative that addresses such an important public policy challenge;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County President and the Board of Commissioners recognize May 22, 2016 as “Stop the Stigma Sunday”; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County President and the Board of Commissioners express their support and appreciation to the men and women of faith, as well as those community activists and leaders who will take the time on May 22, 2016 to raise awareness and combat the stigma that all too often surrounds mental health issues in Cook County and beyond.

16-3066

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CALLING FOR THE MONTH OF MAY TO BE DECLARED “CURFEW AWARENESS MONTH”

WHEREAS, It is well known that the strict enforcement of curfew laws in Chicago and other municipalities in Cook County is a key component of a public safety and law enforcement strategy that is effective; and,

WHEREAS, in the City of Chicago, minors under the age of 12 are required to be in their homes by 8:30 PM on weekdays and 9 PM on weekends; and,

WHEREAS, in the City of Chicago, unsupervised minors ages 12 to 16 are required to be indoors by 10 PM on weekdays and 11 PM on weekends; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois, in its Child Curfew Act codified in 107 ILCS 55/.10 et seq. grants specific legislative or regulatory authority for child curfew restrictions, thereby empowering municipalities in the County of Cook to enact curfews of their own; and,

WHEREAS, too many of our young people in Chicago and Cook County are impacted by crimes during hours of the day when those young people should be in their homes; and,

WHEREAS, awareness and strict enforcement of curfew laws can lessen the impact of violent crime on young people in Chicago and Cook County and also reduce incidences of violent crime in Chicago and Cook County overall, particularly in the warm spring and summer months;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that May of 2016 is hereby declared “Curfew Awareness Month,” and that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby lend their voices to the efforts of community advocates and concerned citizens to increase awareness and enforcement of curfew laws.

16-3121

Sponsored by: LUIS ARROYO JR, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

ONWARD NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE - CELEBRATING 8 YEARS OF SERVICE TO NORTHWEST COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, Onward Neighborhood House was established in 1926 as a community center serving the near northwest neighborhoods of Chicago, by a group of volunteers from the Glencoe Union Church and the Winnetka Congregational Church. It was named after the Onward Presbyterian Church, which served as its first home. Onward House formed clubs for its participants, including special interest and age-group clubs. They sponsored and housed numerous neighborhood activities as its staff helped acclimating residents find interpreters, referrals to city agencies and first aid. As the programs expanded so too did its need for new facilities. In 1928, the Chicago Congregational Union, together with Presbyterian Extension Board, provided the funds for a new building located at 600 N. Leavitt; and

WHEREAS, Prior to the 1920s, the idea of social service often referred to charity or relief, typically in the form of legal aid, immigrant assistance and traveler's aid. Most hardships up to then-both social and economic- had to be met by family and local efforts. The Great Depression (1930-1941), altered the social and physical needs of clients that pushed Onward House to focus on providing food, clothing and fuel as well as stress counseling. At this time, the agency served 130,000 annually through its education, youth and family support programs. On December 7, 1943, Onward Neighborhood House was officially incorporated as a not-for-profit organization "to maintain and conduct an organization to minister to the spiritual, moral, mental and physical needs of the community"; and

WHEREAS, fast forwarding to the early 2000's, Onward House acknowledged the need for proper technology training in a post-industrial economy, implicated by a digital divide in computer fluency among higher income and lower income populations, Onward House established its Community Computer Resource Center (CCRC) in 2000. On May 28, 2008, due to the displaced residents from newly gentrified areas and razed public housing, Onward House and its Board of Directors, sought out a new facility located at 5423 W. Diversey Avenue in the Belmont Cragin area; and

WHEREAS, continuing to serve families in the West Town & Belmont Cragin communities, Onward Neighborhood House continues to empower thousands of families and individuals seeking to achieve their full potential in a community-based setting through participant-driven educational, recreational and social service programs. Onward House remains true to their mission through their Early Childhood, School Age, Family Support, Food Pantry, Computer Center, Partnership Program and Adult Education Programs. Onward House continues to be a pillar of hope, guidance and development; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Cook County Board, issue a proclamation that all the citizens of Cook County thank Onward Neighborhood House for 90 Years of service in the West Town community and 8 Years of service to the Belmont Cragin community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and an official copy of same be presented to Executive Director Mario F. Garcia and Onward Neighborhood House to commemorate this milestone event.

16-3122

Sponsored by: LUIS ARROYO JR, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING LOGANSQUARIST'S FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, in 2011, Chicago-based digital strategist and journalist, Kate Hamilton wished to connect with her Logan Square neighborhood. Armed with this goal, Kate created LoganSquarist, all with just a Twitter account; and

WHEREAS, all content produced by LoganSquarist staff is written by a team of neighborhood philanthropic writers and photographers who have migrated from Ohio, Michigan, North/South Carolina, Texas and many other states, who now love and live in Logan Square. LoganSquarist also engages the community by accepting submissions from members of the community; and

WHEREAS, since its creation, LoganSquarist has grown into a community across multiple web and social sites supported by an extremely talented and dedicated staff of volunteers. In July 2013, LoganSquarist was incorporated as a Limited Liability Company; and

WHEREAS, LoganSquarist is now a very popular website that covers neighborhood news, food, drink, business, arts, entertainment, politics, crime, living & lifestyle topics, family, youth, historical information and events in the Logan Square, Chicago neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, LoganSquarist reports on Logan Square *for* Logan Square through news, photo galleries and events. Their online community connects one another via the site, on a number of social media channels and through their email newsletters, not to overshadow their To-Do List emails. True to its mission, LoganSquarist.com features a calendar of events highlighting the wide array of activities for all ages. They also include a neighborhood directory to support and promote local businesses while hosting monthly Neighbor Meetups in the community to continue engaging and connecting Logan Square residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Cook County Board, issue a proclamation that all of the citizens of Cook County acknowledge and congratulate Kate Hamilton and the volunteer staff of LoganSquarist for their committed, purposeful and philanthropic community contributions during these past five years. LoganSquarist will be celebrating their 5th Year Anniversary on Thursday, May 26, 2016; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and an official copy of the same be presented to Kate Hamilton, Founder and LoganSquarist Staff to commemorate this milestone event.

16-3132

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE 90th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST CHURCH IN EVANSTON

WHEREAS, Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in the City of Evanston in 1925, making it the second oldest organized AME religious institution the city; and

WHEREAS, a small group of devout Christians banded together and began worshipping in the Emerson Street Branch of the YMCA, and

WHEREAS, the lineage of the Church's founding families extends to today's congregation and residents, and the history of Evanston illustrates that these members and their families, as well as other members, have provided the community with civic, philanthropic and religious leadership; and

WHEREAS, the existing Church, built on its current location, in 1941, at the corner of Darrow and Lyons, has been remodeled and expanded several times in the last 90 years to meet the needs of its congregation; and

WHEREAS, Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church is committed to providing an inspirational and rewarding religious experience for all people, to providing a sense of connection and stability for all people by service to the community, and to serving as a wellspring of African American history, traditions, heritage and culture; and

WHEREAS, Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church has been an active participant with other churches and congregations in the community and in sponsoring the Black Methodist "Watch Night" Gathering, the Back-to-School Jam and Health Fair, serving at various homeless shelters and feeding centers for residents of Evanston; and

WHEREAS, in May, 2016, Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church will celebrate their 90th anniversary with generations of former members, pastors, ministers, and Bishops returning from around the country for the three-day anniversary celebration bringing together families joined by membership and support of the local community; and

WHEREAS, the commandment "Be ye full of the Holy Spirit" has been a reality at Bethel Evanston, since its inception and by allowing the Holy Spirit to lead us, we honor and continue the rich legacy of our charter members as we celebrate "90 Years - A Living Legacy of Faith, Hope, Love, and Prayer."; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County takes great pleasure in honoring and celebrating the 90th anniversary of the founding of Bethel African Methodist Church and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the contributions the church 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 Bethel African Methodist Church.

16-3140

Sponsored by: BRIDGET GAINER, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING AMERICA'S CUP RACE COMING TO LAKE MICHIGAN

WHEREAS, Chicago made maritime history with Lake Michigan chosen as the first freshwater venue to host America's Cup racing in the event's 164-year history; and

WHEREAS, the America's Cup World Series Chicago, a qualifying event for the 2017 America's Cup, will take place June 10 to 12, 2016 at Navy Pier; and,

WHEREAS, the America's Cup is bringing its Endeavour program which introduces students to sailing as a way to learn about science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM) to Chicago beginning this summer 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the America's Cup Endeavour program is working with local partners - the Chicago Park District, the Chicago Parks Foundation, and the Chicago Match Race Center - to bring the program to young students throughout the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Cook County residents continue to prove their affinity for all sports especially showcasing the county as a destination for international sports events; and

WHEREAS, Chicago as a global city, its residents and beautiful Lake Michigan will deliver the ultimate experience for the international sailing community; and

WHEREAS, Cook County recognizes Event Chairman Don Wilson and Executive Director Tod Reynolds for their leadership in bringing this world class event to Cook County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board President and Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize the America's Cup, Don Wilson and Tod Reynolds for their contribution to the civic life of Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a commemorative copy of this resolution be tendered to the America's Cup organizers in Chicago.

16-3141

Sponsored by: BRIDGET GAINER, LUIS ARROYO JR, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, SEAN M. MORRISON and PETER N. SILVESTRI, County Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

FOOD ALLERGY AWARENESS WEEK PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, as many as 15 million Americans have food allergies; nearly 6 million are children under the age of 18; and

WHEREAS, research shows that the prevalence of food allergy is increasing among children; and

WHEREAS, eight foods cause the majority of all food allergy reactions in the United States: shellfish, fish, milk, eggs, tree nuts, peanuts, soy, and wheat. Symptoms of a food-allergic reaction can include hives, respiratory distress, swelling of the throat and other serious conditions; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, food allergy results in more than 200,000 ambulatory care visits a year involving children under the age of 18 with reactions typically occurring when an individual unknowingly eats a food containing an ingredient to which they are allergic; and

WHEREAS, there is no cure for food allergy, and scientists do not understand why. Strict avoidance of the offending food is the only way to prevent an allergic reaction; and

WHEREAS, anaphylaxis is a serious allergic reaction that is rapid in onset and may cause death; and

WHEREAS, Food Allergy Research & Education (FARE) is a national, nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life and the health of individuals with food allergies, and to provide them hope through the promise of new treatments; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board President and Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize May 8 to 14, 2016 as Food Allergy Awareness Week and encourage its residents to increase their understanding and awareness of food allergies and anaphylaxis by visiting www.FoodAllergyWeek.org.