



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**BOARD AGENDA**

**Wednesday, January 15, 2020, 1:00 PM**

**Consent Calendar Meeting - Honorary Resolutions**

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Pursuant to Cook County Code of Ordinances, public testimony will be permitted at regular and special meetings of the Board. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon at this time to deliver testimony germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three (3) minutes. The names of duly authorized speakers shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Clerk of the Board.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Pursuant to Cook County Code, the Secretary to the Board of Commissioners hereby transmits Consent Calendar Resolutions for your consideration. The Consent Calendar Resolutions shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Clerk of the Board.

[20-0886](#)

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

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION****PAUL W. BONOMA, IN MEMORIAM**

**WHEREAS** Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Paul Bonoma from our midst, and

**WHEREAS** Paul Bonoma was the loving and adored husband of Roseann, and

**WHEREAS** Paul Bonoma was the loving father of Debbie (Kevin) Donovan, David (Mary Kay), Paul G. (Julie), and

**WHEREAS** Paul Bonoma was the adored grandfather of Kelsey, Grace, Elizabeth, Molly, Anna, Cody, Jake, Maximilian and Sophia, and

**WHEREAS** Paul Bonoma was the beloved son of the late Ignatius and Bernice Bonoma, and

**WHEREAS** Paul Bonoma was the dear brother of Donna (late Bill) Wilkinson and William (Rita) Bonoma, and

**WHEREAS** Paul Bonoma was a caring brother-in-law of Marie (late Patrick) Cassidy, the late Carrie (late James) Andriacchi and the late Lillian (late Alex) Baffa, and

**WHEREAS** Paul Bonoma was a fond uncle of many nieces and nephews, and

**WHEREAS** all who knew him will attest that Paul Bonoma 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 Paul Bomona, 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 Paul Bonoma that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

[20-0889](#)

**Sponsored by:** STANLEY MOORE, Cook County Board of Commissioners

#### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF CP CRAWFORD**

**WHEREAS**, CP Crawford was called home to be with the Lord on November 20, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, CP Crawford was born August 25, 1905 in Jackson Mississippi to John and Mattie Crawford; and

**WHEREAS**, CP Crawford was the youngest of five siblings including three brothers and two sisters. At an early age, his mother passed away, and he was subsequently raised by aunts and uncles; and

**WHEREAS**, CP Crawford was not allowed to attend school that led him to start working in the fields picking cotton, ploughing the fields of corn and manning the gardens; and

**WHEREAS**, CP Crawford applied his early work experience and went on to a career at Southland Oil Refinery. He would eventually move to Chicago, Illinois in 1949 to work at Illinois Central Railroad; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his lifetime, CP Crawford was known as a caring and charismatic person who was well respected by his peers. He enjoyed to fish, smoke cigars, and play cards; and

**WHEREAS**, CP Crawford's most significant accomplishment was the special relationship that he held with his four stepchildren, Shawn (Yolanda), Martez, Paige, and Curtis and his grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS**, in November 2015, CP Crawford was awarded an honorary high school diploma from Thornton Fractional South High School in Lansing, Illinois. This honor was in recognition of his love of education and the community; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2012, CP Crawford lived in Lansing, Illinois at the Tri-State Nursing Rehabilitation Center. The Village of Lansing and Mayor Patty Eidam provided CP Crawford with a recognition as being the oldest living resident in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicago White Sox honored CP Crawford at a game on September 12, 2019 for his service, contributions and longevity in the Greater Chicago area; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to his passing, CP Crawford was one of the oldest known living men in the United States; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County does hereby mourn the loss of CP Crawford and celebrates his life and many contributions bettering the lives of 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 CP Crawford.

[20-1006](#)

**Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE (President) and STANLEY MOORE, Cook County Board of Commissioners

#### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **HONORING FEATHER FIST**

**WHEREAS**, Feather Fist was founded in 1984 by Executive Director Melanie G. Anewishki and was formally incorporated in 1990 as a 501c3 and receive it first public funding in 1994.

**WHEREAS**, Melanie's passion and focus has been to utilize her experience and education in developing The Feather Fist Model of Social Services that successfully addresses the underlying cause of homelessness for individual clients and the homeless population; and

**WHEREAS**, Melanie is a retired College Professor, specializing in Early Childhood Education and Special Education, Residential Childcare, Human Services and Curriculum and Instruction. She is also a trainer of Lay Ministers of Care and educates them on Suffering, Death & Dying; and

**WHEREAS**, Feather Fist's qualified case managers conduct extensive outreach citywide, crisis intervention for homeless men, women, children and those at risk of becoming homeless. Feather Fist maintains direct access to transitional housing units where clients are assisted in developing a supportive service plan to prepare for and provide access to permanent housing; and

**WHEREAS**, Feather Fist will become a national model for providing a holistic approach to servicing

homeless men, women, and children and empowering them to a pathway to independence; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby honor and recognize Melanie G. Anewishki and Feather Fist for their contribution to the viability of Cook County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this is where you ask for further action or where you ask for ceremonial copies of your resolution to be sent to the person or organizations being memorialized.

[20-1028](#)

**Sponsored by:** LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **HONORING ALICE ELIZABETH DANDRIDGE-TURNER**

**WHEREAS**, Alice Elizabeth Dandridge-Turner was born to Berry and Sarah Dandridge on December 25, 1919 in Memphis, Tennessee. She celebrated her 100th birthday on Christmas Day 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, Alice received her early education at home from her mother and father, and her religious training from her aunt, Ms. Hattie Bradley, at New Sardis Missionary Baptist Church. She attended elementary school at McKinney School where her teacher Nellie Roberts soon recognized her special talents. Both Ms. Bradley and Ms. Roberts placed her in leadership positions in school to help her understand her potential; and

**WHEREAS**, Alice subsequently attended LeMoyne College, now LeMoyne-Owen College, in Memphis Tennessee, Lane College in Jackson, Tennessee and Wilberforce University in Dayton, Ohio where she graduated Cum Laude. She later attended Chicago Teacher's College in Chicago, where she worked toward a master's degree in Education; and

**WHEREAS**, as a young person, Alice participated in Sunday School, Baptist Young People's Union, Sunshine Band, and the Children's Choir at New Sardis M.B. Church. As she matured, she accepted the Lord Jesus Christ and joined the church in the days when everyone had to kneel at the "Mourner's Bench" and confess their sins in order to accept the Lord as their savior. She was then baptized in a gravel pit filled with rain water on the side of the road because their church had been burned to the ground. It was reported that the church was burned because the leaders couldn't raise enough money to pay the note on the church. Eventually, her father who was a deacon and others raised enough money to build another church; and

**WHEREAS**, Alice comes from a long line of strong and generous women. Her mother Sarah Dandridge lived to be 101 years old. Her father's mother Vinnie Dandridge lived to 105. Her mother served on the Mother's Board of New Sardis M.B. Church where she worked with the children in the church instilling in Alice a love of children and the desire to better their lives through education. She credits her mother with

teaching her how to serve others; and

**WHEREAS**, Alice moved to Chicago and married Rev. Clifton H. Turner, Sr. Together they raised three children: Clifton, Jr. (now deceased), Deborah A. Turner, and Móna S. Turner. Alice taught for forty-three years, more than half of those at Delano Elementary School, located in the school now known as Genevieve Melody Public School on Chicago's West side. She retired in 1993; and

**WHEREAS**, Alice lived in Chicago on the West Side during the riots that followed Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s assassination. She remembers a long, scary night and driving around the city the next day, seeing much destruction and smelling the smoke, a painful reminder of how far she had come, but not yet far enough; and

**WHEREAS**, Alice is a published poet. She loves to write and sponsored an annual Essay Writing Contests at Delano Elementary School where she taught. This contest was recognized by the *Chicago Defender Newspaper*, Chicago's first Black newspaper. They noted that Alice was an educator who motivated children to write and to use their creativity constructively while rewarding them for their efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, Alice has lived a life of kindness and grace. She currently belongs to Springfield Baptist Church in Evanston, Illinois where she followed her mother's footsteps and joined the Mother's Board, eventually becoming President of the board. She believes strongly in the importance of religious training and worked many summers in the church's Vacation Bible School. She is an active member of the Missionary Society and continues to visit nursing homes, feed the hungry, and clothe those in need; and

**WHEREAS**, Alice continues to be active in the Foster Senior Club where she is a "Golden Girl." The Golden Girls meet weekly for good clean Christian fun. There are lots of laughs and a little BINGO. There are field trips and other activities. Every year she participates in the large Fund-Raiser Fashion Show; and

**WHEREAS**, Alice continues to Thank and Praise the Lord for the love he has shown her, allowing her to live 100 years and to accomplish all the things she has done. He has allowed her to experience history from being with her Grandmother who shared her experiences as a slave to seeing Barack Obama elected as the first Black President of the United States. Her faith in God remains strong and she encourages young people to follow Jesus as their leader. Everything will work out right because he will always be with them.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County celebrates the life of Alice Elizabeth Dandridge-Turner, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable contributions she has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered to Alice Elizabeth Dandridge-Turner and her family.

[20-1055](#)

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**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS**

**WHEREAS**, on February 14, 1920, the League of women Voters ("League") was formed at the Congress Hotel in Chicago Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, the league was formed six months prior to, but in anticipation of ratification of the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, THE League was a political experiment designed to help 20 million women carry out their new responsibilities as voters by educating them about issues; and

**WHEREAS**, from the beginning the league determined that it would be nonpartisan, neither supporting nor opposing any political party or individual candidate; and

**WHEREAS**, the League continues today as a nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issue, and influences public policy through education and advocacy; and

**WHEREAS**, today the League is composed of member in over 700 local, county and states leagues, in all 50 states plus the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, and Hong Kong; and

**WHEREAS**, among those local leagues in Illinois are thirteen leagues whose over 1800 members are also members of the League of Women Voters of Cook County, and inter-League organization that focuses on the county-wide governments with the County of Cook; and

**WHEREAS**, members of the League first study and then take action on a broad range of issues after reaching consensus on positions; and

**WHEREAS**, Leagues at all levels, among the other activities, register voters, educate voters by holding candidate forums and publishing voter guides, publish public policy research, and hold meeting on key issues; and

**WHEREAS**, the League is a civic organization that has fought since 1920 to improve government and engage everyone in the decision that impact their lives; and

**WHEREAS**, the League will celebrate its 100th Anniversary on February 14, 2020;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners declares February 14, 2020 as a day to celebrate the League of Women voters and its vision of democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge and the confidence to participate.