



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY
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Consent Agenda

Thursday, January 13, 2022, 10:00 AM

Second Set

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE OF FRANK J. PERRY, MAYOR OF WESTCHESTER, ILLINOIS

WHEREAS, Frank Perry was born on December 30, 1970, in Westchester, Illinois to the parents Frank and Lucille Perry; and

WHEREAS, Frank was a lifetime resident of Westchester, Illinois and was a Cook County resident who selflessly made extraordinary contributions to improve his community; and

WHEREAS, Frank was a successful businessman, owning several businesses throughout the Village of Westchester, including the popular Joe's Place, a restaurant that became a local hot spot, frequented by many residents. The restaurant became an establishment that garnered him huge popularity in the village; and

WHEREAS, Frank's was elected as Village President in April 2021. During his short tenure he began the task of upgrading the old municipal complex to a more suitable new complex; and

WHEREAS, Frank was also a distinguished member of the West Central Municipal Conference and loyal member of the Divine Infant Knights of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Frank passed away on December 22, 2021, after battling with cancer; and

WHEREAS, Frank is survived by his wife Peggy, and daughter Ava; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Mayor Frank J. Perry and honor the life and memory of this outstanding Cook County resident.

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Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), DONNA MILLER, STANLEY MOORE and DEBORAH SIMS, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE OF FRANK ZUCCARELLI SERVANT OF THORNTON TOWNSHIP RESIDENT

WHEREAS, Frank Zuccarelli was Thornton Township Supervisor, with an unmatched history of service for over 38 years; and

WHEREAS, Frank lived in South Holland, Illinois, and was a Cook County resident who selflessly made extraordinary contributions to improve Thornton Township community; and

WHEREAS, Frank attended Thornton Community College (currently South Suburban College), where he earned two Associate Degree’s, as well as his bachelor’s degree from Governor State University; and

WHEREAS, Frank served as a member of the South Suburban College Board of Trustees since 1978. And in 2014, he received a service award from the Illinois Community College Trustees Association (CCTA) recognizing his 35 years of services as a community college trustee. During his tenure Frank witnessed the college system grown from a temporary building into the third largest community college system. He is the fifth person out of more than 2,200 to reach this level of success in the entire state of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Frank has devoted his life to serving the resident of Thornton Township by creating programs for youth. The Zucarelli Assistance Program (ZAP) which started in 2004, that would allow teens ages 16 and older an opportunity to earn money mowing lawns of seniors. More than 1,000 residents benefited from this program. Thornton Township ran one largest food pantry’s among all other townships, hosting events at the Calumet City senior center and Park Districts. He really loved the people he served; and

WHEREAS, Frank has been awarded Township Supervisor of the Year in 1996, 2007, and 2012 and also the recipient of numerous other awards and honors, including; The Chicago Food Depository awards for War on Hunger and Quality Service, Community Leader Award, Civic Responsibility Award, Diversity Inc. Award, Distinguished Service Award from the Illinois Committee for Honest Government; and

WHEREAS, Since 2002 Frank Zuccarelli, served as Thornton township Committeeperson and in various executive committee positions. Leading a formidable multiracial-inter generational Township organization called the Z-Team. Under his leadership, they help elect numerous US President, Governors, and other officials, culminating the principal role he played assisting then-State Senator Barack Obama become US Senator in 2004. And again, helping him reach the presidency in 2008 and win re-election in 2012. There was numerous township officeholder, mayors, trustees, school board official that owe their careers and

sought his counsel over the years; and

WHEREAS, Frank made politics his life, hosting his “Annual Mostaccioli ”dinner and Township meetings where political candidates would come to gain support from Thornton Township’s residents. He became a major power broker in the south suburbs; and

WHEREAS, Frank passed away peacefully at home on January 3, 2022; and

WHEREAS, is survived by siblings: sister Candace Paun (late John) of South Holland, IL, brother Kenneth V. (Jane Walmer) Zuccarelli of DeForest, WI, and his long-time girlfriend Carmen Canales of Dyer, IN., a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and “son” Nate Fields. Preceding him in death are parents Marjorie and James J. Zuccarelli and brother James T. Zuccarelli; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Frank Zuccarelli and honor the life and memory of this outstanding Cook County resident.

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE OF JAMES J. CASEY

WHEREAS, James “Jim” J. Casey was born on September 18, 1938, in Chicago, Illinois at St. Bernard Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Jim was the loving and adored husband of 55 years to Frances, nee Norris, and

WHEREAS, Jim was a lifelong resident of Cook County and lived in the Beverly community of Chicago, Illinois, who selflessly made extraordinary contributions to improve the community; and his beloved parish of St. Barnabas; and

WHEREAS, Jim was a graduate of DePaul University as well as DePaul University College of Law; and

WHEREAS, Jim started his legal career working at the Justice Department in Washington D.C., where in 1963, as a young DOJ attorney, Jim went to Alabama to fight for the integration of the University of Alabama when George Wallace stood in the doorway to block the admission of African-American students; and

WHEREAS, one of Jim’s most memorable moments working in Washington D.C., at the US Attorney’s

Office, was when he complemented Bobby Kennedy on his tie clip and Bobby Kennedy took it off and gave it to him. Jim loved to share that story and show the tie clip, when people came over to the house; and

WHEREAS, Jim moved to the US Attorney's Chicago Office and worked in the Organized Crime Division. Jim worked diligently to prosecute many members of the Chicago mob, including Jackie Cerone and was also an attorney in the Chicago Seven trial; and

WHEREAS, Jim would later retire from the Justice Department and receive an appointment from Mayor Richard J. Daley to become the first to head the Chicago Police Department Office of Professional Standards, better known as OPS. It was there that Jim lived out his secret dream of becoming a police officer, equipped with an unmarked car, a badge and everything; and

WHEREAS, Jim spent the later part of his career in private practice in which one of his biggest highlights came when he argued a case before the Supreme Court of the United States in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Jim was an avid sports fan of the Chicago White Sox, Chicago Bears, Chicago Bulls, DePaul Basketball, and Purdue Basketball and Football. He had a passion for music especially traditional Irish music, although you would also catch him listening to country and folk music too, like Johnny Cash, Simon & Garfunkel, and Judy Collins to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Jim passed away on December 20, 2021, surrounded by family; and

WHEREAS, is survived by his wife Frances, Children, Katie (Tom), Saletta, Tim (Loretta) Casey and Nell (John) Janda. A host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and friends; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of James J. Casey and honor the life and memory of this outstanding Cook County resident.

[22-1293](#)

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING THE 191ST ANNIVERSARY OF COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, Cook County was founded by an act of the Illinois legislature on January 15, 1831, and

WHEREAS, originally part of the commonwealth of Virginia, the area which comprises modern day Cook County was also part of the Northwest Territory and then a part of 10 separate counties as the territory was formed into states, including Illinois. The ten counties are Knox (1790), St. Clair (1801), Madison (1812), Edwards (1814), Crawford (1816), Clark (1819), Pike (1819), Fulton (1823), Peoria (1825), Putnam (1826), and

WHEREAS, when formed in 1831, Cook County's original boundaries included all of McHenry, Lake, DuPage and parts of Kane and Will. The other counties were separately created between 1836 and 1839, leading to Cook County's current boundaries, and

WHEREAS, Cook County was named for Daniel Pope Cook (1794 - October 16, 1827). Originally from Kentucky, Cook moved to Illinois and became a lawyer, newspaper publisher, politician and one of the early advocates of statehood for Illinois. An anti-slavery advocate, he was the state's first Attorney General, and then congressman. Cook County, Illinois is named after him. It is believed Cook never visited the area which would be named in his honor, and

WHEREAS, the first Cook County Board of Commissioners was elected on March 7, 1831, taking office and holding their first meeting the following day. Three commissioners-Gholson Kercheval, Samuel Miller and James Walker convened a meeting at Fort Dearborn on the Chicago Settlement lakeshore, in the magazine (powder room). The first County Board meeting would last for two days, and

WHEREAS, also elected on March 7 were James Kinsey, Sheriff and John K. Clark, Coroner; William See, County Clerk, Archibald Clybourn, County Treasurer were appointed March 8 and Jededah Wooley was recommended as County Surveyor to the Governor and Legislature, and

WHEREAS, one of the first acts of the new board was approval of a resolution asking Illinois for 10 acres of land including the corner of Clark and Randolph for the location of a new County Courthouse. This building would be completed in 1835 and included a small stockade which served as the first County Jail and later added an Almshouse which was the forerunner of the County Hospital, and

WHEREAS, the official population of Cook County at the time of its founding was 100 (a count of settlers, not including Native Americans forcibly removed from the local area). The Chicago settlement (Chicago was not incorporated as a town until 1833) had 50 to 60 residents, and

WHEREAS, Cook County would become a leader in growing the region, the state and the nation; blazing trails in the fields of transportation, food processing, public health, education, juvenile justice, art and music. The dynamic and diverse county population would swell the county population to 350,000 in 1870, over 1.1 million 20 years later and 1.8 million at the turn of the 20th Century. By 1910, Cook County had 2.4 million residents, surpassing three million residents by 1920. By 1940, Cook County grew to four million residents. In 1960, Cook County population totaled 5.1 million, and

WHEREAS, the history of Cook County Government contributed directly to the development of the region and the State of Illinois, with many projects and initiatives of several County departments directly impacting the economic and political direction of the region for years to come, and

WHEREAS, as Cook County approaches its 200th anniversary-and having developed a unique and extensive collection of public documents and records that contain historical significance-establishing an initiative to archive historically significant documents and records is imperative to County Government history; and

WHEREAS, fundamental to capturing the history of Cook County is a thorough and complete documentation of the history of Cook County Government; and

WHEREAS, in the Fiscal Year 2020 budget, the Board of Commissioners created a County Historic Archives and Records Office (CARO) to affirmatively coordinate efforts across all departments and with all officials to determine the historical value of various county documents and records and make recommendations to the Board of Commissioners regarding access and promotion of the County's history; and

WHEREAS, in the Fiscal Year 2021, the first full year that Cook County had its inaugural Manager of Archives leading CARO, the department, along with Records Management, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Cook County Compliance and Archives Ordinance governing County documents, which was passed, establishing policies and protocols to ensure the preservation of Cook County's historically significant materials, and

WHEREAS, also in 2021, under the leadership of the Manager of Archives, the Cook County Historic and Records Archives Office (CARO) continued the education and training of its staff, developed partnerships with both County and external stakeholders, engaged experts in the field of archives, took part in events that highlighted the work and mission of the unit, discovered, assessed, and planned regarding County holdings with an eye for the future, and

WHEREAS, looking forward to Cook County's Bicentennial in 2031, and building upon the previous years' work, CARO seeks to establish a Cook County Archives Center to continue to manage, promote, document, and preserve said materials, activate its collections; and to engage exploratory initiatives to establish sustainable external fiscal support through the development of a foundation to support the ongoing growth of CARO, and

WHEREAS, in the coming months, finalists will be announced for the Flag 2021 initiative led by Commissioner Britton and the Flag 2021 Advisory Panel, that sought to find a New Flag for a New Century for Cook County Government, which has endured the Covid-19 pandemic and brought together student designers and design mentors from throughout Cook County, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the members of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County does hereby celebrate the 191st anniversary of the founding of Cook County, Illinois; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President and the members of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County are contributing to the preservation of Cook County Government; and encourages all County agencies under all elected and appointed officials to work closely with the Manager of Archives and the Cook County Historic Archives and Records Office (CARO) to preserve the history of their offices, to include all formats of physical and electronic documents, photographs, maps, films, other media and artifacts towards that purpose.

[22-1155](#)

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RUDY MALNATI, JR., IN MEMORIAM

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

WHEREAS, Rudy Malnati, Jr. was the loving and adored husband of Annette, and

WHEREAS, Rudy Malnati, Jr. was the loving father of Holly and Rudy, and

WHEREAS, Rudy Malnati, Jr. was the beloved son of the late Rudy Sr. and the late Donna Marie, and

WHEREAS, Rudy Malnati, Jr. was the dear brother of the late Lou and Robert, and

WHEREAS, Rudy Malnati, Jr. grew up working along his father Rudy Sr of Pizzeria Uno. He later went on to open his own restaurant, Pizano's Pizza and Pasta, and

WHEREAS, Pizano's Pizza and Pasta grew into a Chicago favorite with multiple locations and a nationwide shipping operation under Rudy Malnati's leadership, and

WHEREAS, Rudy Malnati, Jr. was an active member of the Chicago restaurant community and a devoted friend to many in the restaurant industry, and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that Rudy Malnati, 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 Rudy Malnati, 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 Rudy Malnati, Jr. that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

[22-1157](#)

Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), FRANK J. AGUILAR, 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 and LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

LAWRENCE K. DOODY, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Lawrence K. Doody from our midst, and

WHEREAS, Lawrence K. Doody was the loving and adored husband of 60 years to Carolyn, nee Hamer, and

WHEREAS, Lawrence K. Doody was the loving father of Larry (Connie Murphy) Doody, Elizabeth “Liz” (Gerald) Gorman, Daniel Doody, and Debbie (Dennis) Furlong, and

WHEREAS, Lawrence K. Doody was the proud Papa of Riley, Conor, Liam, Shane, Brendan, Matthew, Denny, and Joey, and

WHEREAS, Lawrence K. Doody was the beloved son of the late Edward and Anne, nee King, and

WHEREAS, Lawrence K. Doody was the dear brother of the Anne (late James) Marshall, late Mary (late James) Logan, and Edward (Lil) Doody, and

WHEREAS, Lawrence K. Doody was the beloved son-in-law of the late Arthur J. and Agnes “Betty”, nee Schevers, Hamer, and

WHEREAS, Lawrence K. Doody was the dear brother-in-law of barb (Frank) Pinn, late Artie Hamer, Don (late Geri) (Bernadette) Hamer, Liz (John) O'Connor, and Frank Hamer, and

WHEREAS, Lawrence K. Doody was a proud member of the Chicago Fire Department and IBEW Local 134, and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that Lawrence K. Doody 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 Lawrence K. Doody 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 Lawrence K. Doody that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

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Sponsored by: JOHN P. DALEY, TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), FRANK J. AGUILAR, 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 and LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CHICAGO FIREFIGHTER MASHAWN PLUMMER, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Mashawn Plummer from our midst; and

WHEREAS Mashawn Plummer was the dearly beloved son of Jermaine Plummer and Felicia Townsend; and

WHEREAS, Mashawn Plummer was raised in Chicago's Englewood neighborhood and attended Chicago Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Mashawn Plummer joined the Chicago Fire Department on December 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mashawn Plummer served as a Chicago Firefighter on Engine 94 in the Portage Park neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Mashawn Plummer's career was dedicated to improving neighborhood security and

ensuring safer communities in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Mashawn Plummer touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that Mashawn Plummer 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 Mashawn Plummer 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 Mashawn Plummer so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

[22-1226](#)

Sponsored by: DENNIS DEER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING MS. ROCHELLE R. JACKSON, FOR HER LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE TO THE NORTH LAWDALE COMMUNITY AND THE CHICAGO-LAND AREA

WHEREAS, ROCHELLE R. JACKSON was born and raised in the section of North Lawndale known as K-Town, attended Mason Elementary, Farragut High School and Wilbur Wright College, and still currently resides in North Lawndale; and

WHEREAS, Rochelle has been employed at Juvenile Protective Association (JPA) for the past 32 years, and has held several positions while at JPA. In her current position as the Administrative Specialist, she manages all of JPA's donations and receivables for the organization donor's log; and

WHEREAS, in her early years at JPA as a Research Assistant, Rochelle coordinated the recruitment and follow-up of participants in The Capella Project, known as LONGSCAN which was a 20 year longitudinal study of high risk families with a history of child maltreatment, extreme poverty, prenatal exposure to alcohol and other drugs, and exposure to neighborhood violence; and

WHEREAS, due to Rochelle's efforts, study participants doubled in the first four years of the study, and in 2014, Rochelle recruited 114 of the youth participants of the LONGSCAN study who are now adults to participate in an online survey for the National Institute for Drug Administration study; and

WHEREAS, when the LONGSCAN study ended, Rochelle served as the Administrative Coordinator of

the Parenting Assessment Team where she assisted clients with severe mental health issues transition into participation with Parenting Assessment Team (PAT) and/or Permanency Planning (PP) for Parenting Capacity Assessments, where she conducted initial release of information interviews and scheduled Parenting Capacity Assessments with parents and caseworkers; and

WHEREAS, Rochelle, serves as the Transportation/Infrastructure Committee Chair of the North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council (NLCCC) where she serves tirelessly with a group of committed committee members to improve infrastructure and public transportation in North Lawndale. In the Spring of 2020, her team was very instrumental in bringing an extension of the 157 Streeterville/Taylor bus route back to the west end of the North Lawndale Community. She also participated in the Homan/Kedzie Blue Line Walkability Project to improve public safety for the community through art, better infrastructure and lighting for the area. Her current task is reimagining Franklin Park and bringing more amenities to the park to increase walkability, activities and evening events as well as enhance the current programs already established to the park. She also serves on the NLCCC Education/CAC and Steering Committees, Franklin Park Advisory Council and the Farragut Alumni Picnic Committee; and

WHEREAS, In the Summer of 2021, Rochelle was honored a one of “North Lawndale Living Legends;” and

WHEREAS, In December 2021, was honored by the Active Transportation Alliance as “City Neighborhood Advocate of the Year;” and

WHEREAS, Rochelle is an avid crocheter, and has an annual “Hats for Homeless” project where she makes hats for the homeless and chooses a shelter that provides temporary housing and other resources for the un-housed communities around the city. She loves just making things and donating them for worthy causes and teaches crochet classes at the Douglass Branch Library on Thursday evenings, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Cook County Commissioner Dennis Deer of the 2nd District on behalf of President Toni Preckwinkle, the Cook County Board of Commissioners and on behalf of the over five million residents of Cook County, on this 13th day of January, do hereby recognized **ROCHELLE R. JACKSON**. for her Outstanding Leadership and Social Services at JPA and in the North Lawndale, and so wish **ROCHELLE R. JACKSON**. every continued success in his future endeavors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to **ROCHELLE R. JACKSON**... and a copy is spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body.

[22-1227](#)

Sponsored by: DENNIS DEER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING LIEUTENANT /EMT QUENTION CURTIS FOR HIS OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP, COMMITTEMENT, AND DEDICATION TO SAVING AND CHANGING LIVES IN COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, as a young man growing up in Chicago's Cabrini Green neighborhood, Lieutenant/EMT Quention Curtis was fascinated by fire trucks and the firefighters that protected the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, He was welcomed into the fire station by those same men, and encouraged to follow their path - and so began a lifelong passion for the fire service; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Near North Career Magnet High School, Lieutenant Curtis entered the fire service at a young age; and

WHEREAS, he began working full-time as a firefighter for the Chicago Fire Department in 1988; and

WHEREAS, he was then promoted Fire Lieutenant and worked in some of the busiest areas in the city; including being a scuba diver and a member of Squad 1 for 22 years. Lieutenant Curtis was also a member of the response teams for the E2 tragedy, World Trade Center September 11th, and hurricane Katrina. He has over forty state and federal Certifications; and

WHEREAS, As Lt. Curtis is approaching retirement next year with over 30 years of service he reflects on his exciting career and wanted to give back and open the doors to fire safety and (Emergency Management Service) EMS in the African American communities; and

WHEREAS, on June 2018 Lieutenant Curtis opened The Black Fire Brigade, the country's first such organization, to promote and protect the fire rescue service and EMS personnel, provide continuing education and networking opportunities to members, and preserve the history and heritage of African American fireman and EMS service people. It also represents members' interest on public issues, discussions, and decisions affecting fire rescue and EMS rescue services, and promote fundraising for those services.

WHEREAS, August of 2018 Lieutenant Curtis raised thousands of dollars to send forty - five young adults to Emergency Medical Technical School. In addition, on December 2018 They graduated with an exciting career in Fire safety. Changing the narrative in the Black community one student at a time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Cook County Commissioner Dennis Deer of the 2nd District on behalf of President Toni Preckwinkle, the Cook County Board of Commissioners and on

behalf of the over five million residents of Cook County, on this 13th day of January, do hereby recognized **Lieutenant/EMT Question Curtis** for his Outstanding Leadership, Commitment, Dedication to Saving and Changing lives in Cook County and so wish **Question Curtis** every continued success in his future endeavors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to **Lieutenant/EMT Question Curtis** ... and a copy is spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body.

[22-1143](#)

Sponsored by: BILL LOWRY, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE OF MARGUERITE MORRISON

WHEREAS, Margaret Adams was born September 25th to Willie and Minnie Adams in Chicago, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, in 1936, Robert (Bob) and Verneda Winrow raised Margurite as their own when Marguerite was three years old after a brief stint in fosters care. Bob gave her the name Marguerite after his beloved sister; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite attended Corpus Christi Grammar School and Flower Technical High School. Additionally, Marguerite received classical training in piano at the Grace Daly School of Music. The Art Institute of Chicago recognized Maguerite's talents and invited her to pursue her love of drawing and painting; and

WHEREAS, on May 31, 1950, Marguerite gave birth to her first-born son, Anthony Lawrence Adams; and

WHEREAS, in 1957, Marguerite moved to Corpus Christi, Texas eventually joining the United States Air Force serving as a combat medic; and

WHEREAS, on May 23, 1959 she married Louis Morrison in Chicago, Illinois. Their union welcomed five (5) children: Anthony, Paul, Peter, Carole, and Dale; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Marguerite lost the love of her life at the age of 52, continuing her courageous life journey without Louis by her side. Marguerite ensured her youngest child completed high school and supported her older children through college. Her love for education led her to take classes in the Adult Integrated Learning Program at Chicago State University while in her 50's; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite put her faith in Jesus Christ in the early 1980's as a member of Bellevue Baptist

Church for over 30 years under the shepherding of Pastor Lucious Fullwood. She loved being an active member of the 11 a.m. choir and Eons senior group; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite was a voracious reader, loved working crossword puzzles, music, and the theater. Marguerite was a Goodman Theater season ticket holder; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, Marguerite's children were able to locate her eldest son, Michael Brown, after putting Michael up for adoption in May of 1950. Michael reunited with Marguerite after 67 years; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite, affectionately known as "Grammies", was beloved by more than her biological children and had a community of individuals that lovingly called her "Mom"; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, Marguerite passed away at Little Company of Mary Hospital. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Louis Morrison; brother Harold Adams and her other siblings; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite leaves to cherish her memory and carry on her legacy, her loving children, Michael Brown (Linda), Anthony (LaTanya), Paul (Angelin), Peter (Lisa), Carole Hall and Dale (Shadawn); 16 grandchildren, Michael Tyler (Michelle), Adam, Katrina, Kristin (Jesse), Anthony Jr., Justin (Vanessa), Julian, Jalynn, Patrice (Hakim), Peter Jr., Daniel (Cristina), Dejah, Michael, Natalie, Dale Jr. and Theodore; and eight (8) great grandchildren, Sofia, Maison, Jacob, Jianna, Jonathan, Kai, Arlette, and Noa; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, BILL LOWRY, COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONER of the 3rd DISTRICT, do hereby stand, and salute the phenomenal life of Marguerite Morrison; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a suitable copy of this Resolution will be presented to the family of Marguerite Morrison; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: a copy of this Resolution will be filed within the **Office of Cook County Commissioner Bill Lowry 3rd District**.

[22-1271](#)

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION REMEMBERING THE PACIFICATION OF WUJEK

WHEREAS, the Polish community in Cook County makes up one of the largest ethnic group in the County; and

WHEREAS, the culture and history of the Polish people is important to the residents of Cook County and; and

WHEREAS, the Pacification of Wujek occurred on December 16, 1981 and 2021 marked the 40th anniversary of this event; and

WHEREAS, Solidarity, a trade union, was founded in 1980 stemming from government crackdowns of dissent and anti-worker actions from the authoritarian government; and

WHEREAS, Solidarity was led by Lech Walesa, who later was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his work, and others that were forming a broad anti-Soviet social movement; and

WHEREAS, the Polish government instituted martial law on December 13, 1981 in an attempt to counter political opposition in particular, the trade union movement started by Solidarity; and

WHEREAS, miners who were members of Solidarity at the Wujek Coal Mine in Katowice, Poland started a strike to oppose the institution of martial law; and

WHEREAS, three days after martial law started, on December 16th, Polish government troops of army and police were sent to shut down the strike with the force of military weapons and tanks; and

WHEREAS, there was a commando platoon, ZOMO, that were given “shoot to kill” orders resulting in the death of nine striking miners: Jan Stawisiński, Joachim Gnida, Józef Czekalski, Krzysztof Giza, Ryszard Gzik, Bogusław Kopczak, Andrzej Pelka, Zbigniew Wilk and Zenon Zajac. 21 other people were wounded; and

WHEREAS, although the strike was shut down, this event has been viewed as a turning point in the fall of the Polish authoritarian government and the end of the Eastern Bloc, at large; and

WHEREAS, some members of the Polish Solidarity movement came as refugees to Cook County, and have played a crucial part in our civic, cultural, and economic life ever since,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners remember these important events that are an important part of Polish history and of the Polish residents that reside in Cook County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that suitable copies of this resolution be given to Polish organizations in the area including but not limited to the Polish American Congress- Illinois Division, the Coalition of Polish Americans, the Illinois Labor History Society, and the Polish Museum of America..