



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY

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

Consent Agenda

for the

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Tuesday, February 10, 2015, 11:00 AM

15-1568

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, STANLEY MOORE, DEBORAH SIMS and ROBERT STEELE, County Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

COOK COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, Black History Month, a national observance that takes place annually in February, provides an opportunity for the residents of Cook County to recognize the culture, history and talents of African Americans; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month began as “Negro History Week,” which was created in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, a noted African American historian, scholar, educator, and publisher. It became a month-long celebration in 1976. The month of February was chosen to coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, President Gerald R. Ford officially recognized Black History Month, calling it a moment for the public to “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.” Since then, the month of February has been recognized by every president of the United States as Black History Month; and

WHEREAS, this year’s theme for Black History Month is “A Century of Black Life, History and Culture”; and

WHEREAS, Cook County’s African American population is approximately 1.3 million, making it the county with the largest black population in the nation; and

WHEREAS, all residents of Cook County can draw strength and inspiration from the unwavering and steadfast spirit displayed by African Americans in their fight against slavery, segregation, economic oppression and injustice; and

WHEREAS, African Americans have made countless economic, social, cultural and political contributions throughout Cook County, the Land of Lincoln, and the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, we must always pay tribute to the heroes of African American history, and it is important that the people of Cook County observe Black History Month with the highest level of programming, as well as the most enriching ceremonial and educational activities; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County President and the Board of Commissioners honor the numerous trailblazers of Black History, and recognize the many extraordinary accomplishments African Americans have made to the United States of America, the State of Illinois,

and to Cook County.

15-1586

Sponsored by: ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, County Commissioner, TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, JOHN P. DALEY and BRIDGET GAINER, County Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF CAROLINE GRIFFIN

WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, has taken from our midst Caroline Griffin, born into life on October 7, 1993 and born into eternal life on January 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Caroline was the beloved daughter of Georgina [nee Byrnes] and the late Michael E. Griffin; devoted sister of Courtney and the late Maura Griffin; loving granddaughter of Mary Jeanne and the late Francis A. "Rainey" Byrnes, late Joseph E. Griffin and the late Veronica [late Herman] Metz; fond niece of Tony [Joyce], Martha [Lou] Martinez and the late Tim [the late Rita] Byrnes, Greg [the late Pat] and Jim [Ginny] Griffin and special cousin and inspirational friend to all who knew her; and

WHEREAS, Caroline grew up in the Beverly neighborhood of Chicago; she was a 2008 graduate of St. Barnabas grade school, graduated from Mother McAuley High School in 2012, and was the ultimate fighting Bee at St. Ambrose University; and

WHEREAS, Caroline was born with a rare heart condition called endocardial fibroelastosis in which the heart does not pump strongly enough, the same condition having taken the life of her older sister, Maura, who died at only three months and years later it was the cause of death of her father, Michael at age 42; and

WHEREAS, Caroline's heart condition was diagnosed when she was just 4 weeks old and it was determined that the only hope was a heart transplant and that is when the parishioners of St. Barnabas Catholic Church and all friends and neighbors began praying for Caroline's health and in January, 1994 she did receive her new heart; and

WHEREAS, even though Caroline had to undergo many medical procedures due to her transplant, Caroline never allowed her medical condition to define her and wanted to be looked at as the same as other kids and classmates; and

WHEREAS, Caroline was very appreciative of the second chance she was given by receiving a new heart, tried to give back by talking with others awaiting organs or going through the transplant process and supporting The Mulliganeers, a non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds for children and families in need; and

WHEREAS, Caroline loved the game of golf and began playing in 7th grade, attending camps at Mother McAuley, eventually was on the Mother McAuley golf team and on the St. Ambrose golf team and one of her coaches said that Caroline was one of the greatest kids he had ever coached and noted she was often first on the range and the last to leave; and

WHEREAS, Caroline was an inspiration to everyone who knew her and was enthusiastic about life and living, and she will live on in the hearts of those whom she touched and loved; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, do hereby express our deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family as well as to the many friends and loved ones of Caroline Griffin; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the text of this resolution be spread across the Journal of these Proceedings and that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to the family of Caroline Griffin so that her rich legacy may be so honored and ever cherished.

15-1595

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE COOK COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS in 1869 Lloyd G. Wheeler became the first Black man licensed to practice law in the State of Illinois, and in 1894 Ida Platt became the first Black woman licensed to practice law in the State of Illinois. By 1896, 32 African Americans had been admitted to the Illinois Bar, and they began meeting informally to devise a legal strategy to protest discrimination in hotels, theaters, restaurants, schools and the judiciary; and,

WHEREAS this informal collaboration among African American attorneys lasted until 1914, when a younger generation of Black lawyers decided to form the Cook County Bar Association (“CCBA”) to improve, protect and defend the lives and rights of all citizens in the Greater Chicago Area. The CCBA is the oldest association of Black lawyers in the country; and,

WHEREAS since the CCBA’s inception, its members have served as advocates, judges, and legal educators, and as elected and appointed representatives, participating at every level of government, to fight injustice, to advocate on behalf of underserved communities, and to promote the interests of African American lawyers and judges; and,

WHEREAS throughout its distinguished history the CCBA has provided leadership, service, and advocacy for African American attorneys and to people residing in underserved communities; and,

WHEREAS the CCBA's myriad accomplishments include the work of its outstanding members, such as C. Francis Stradford, who co-founded the *National Bar Association* in 1925; Earl B. Dickerson, who represented the plaintiffs in *Hansberry v. Lee*, the seminal 1940 case protesting restrictive covenants in Chicago's housing markets; and William R. Ming, who served on the NAACP team litigating *Brown v. Board of Education* in 1954; and,

WHEREAS since its founding, the CCBA has celebrated many firsts with its members, including Jewel Stradford LaFontant's appointment as the first Black female Deputy Solicitor General; Edith Sampson's election as Illinois' first Black female Municipal Court Judge; James Parson's appointment to the U.S. District Court; John Stroger's election as Cook County Board President; and Harold Washington's election as Mayor of the City of Chicago. The CCBA's membership roster includes many members of the judiciary; members of the Chicago City Council, both past and present; and President Barack Obama, to name just a few; and,

WHEREAS the CCBA continues its tradition of service by providing a variety of legal programs to advance the legal profession and its members, such as sponsoring the largest job fair for law students in the Midwest, a Law Day for high school students, a free monthly legal clinic for Chicago residents, scholarships and awards, and expanded In Court Bar Program for CCBA members, various neighborhood legal forums, and Call A Lawyer Day. The CCBA has also worked to develop an organized system for fair and impartial evaluations of judicial candidates, an effort which has led to a joint alliance with other minority bar associations; and,

WHEREAS the CCBA celebrated its centennial anniversary in 2014 with a vision for the future that honors its storied past, celebrates its present successes, and eagerly invites innovations that a rapidly changing society and the legal community require; and

WHEREAS it is in keeping with this spirit that the Cook County Bar Association adopted "CCBA 100: Service-Struggle- Success" as the theme for its Centennial Celebration;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Cook County President and Board of Commissioners do hereby commend the Cook County Bar Association for its unsurpassed contributions to the legal profession, for its sustained efforts to advance the cause of racial equality, and for its decades of service to the residents of Cook County, Illinois; and do hereby extend to the Cook County Bar Association our congratulations on achieving the milestone of its 100th Anniversary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Board of Directors of the Cook County Bar Association as a token of our appreciation and esteem.

15-1602

Sponsored by: LUIS ARROYO JR, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CALOR-25 YEARS OF SERVICE

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Cook County Board of Commissioners that CALOR (Comprensión y Apoyo a Latinos en Oposición al Retrovirus or Comprehension and Support of Latinos Against the Retrovirus), which was founded in 1990 and is now entering its 25 year anniversary; and

WHEREAS, CALOR, which was co-founded by Omar N. López, a key figure in other local grassroots organizations such as: LADO (Latin /American Defense Organization); OLAS (Organization of Latin American Students); and MTO (Mexican Teachers Organization), continues to flourish; and

WHEREAS, CALOR began as an organization focusing on the Latino community on Chicago's West Side. At that time, culturally relevant HIV services were not available to Latino communities. For the first few years CALOR offered support groups for Latinos affected by the HIV virus and for Hispanic HIV/AIDS service providers. The emphasis was on providing intervention initiatives and building a support system for people recently diagnosed HIV+; and

WHEREAS, 1993 became a turning point for CALOR, as the community-based organization reached a new milestone and was able to begin offering case management services and mental health services. Later, essential prevention initiatives were developed along with employment placement services; and

WHEREAS, in 1997 CALOR merged with Anixter Center, a well-respected and established leading provider of services for people with disabilities of all ages. The merger allowed CALOR to increase the programs and services it offered to people with HIV/AIDS and to reach out to people with other disabilities. CALOR began offering substance abuse services and added a vocational program to provide employment and training to Latinos with disabilities, including HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, CALOR has continued to thrive and expand its services. It opened Casa Contreras, a 17-unit residential building named after two of CALOR's founding members-Salvador Contreras and José Luis Contreras and started A.C.E., a new HIV/AIDS prevention and education program targeting young Latino men, which has become one of CALOR's signature programs; and

WHEREAS, having moved to a larger location at 5038 W. Armitage Ave., CALOR continues to grow today with a greater emphasis on serving all people of color with disabilities, including HIV/AIDS and a push to build key strategic relationships with other community organizations to ensure that all

individuals afflicted by HIV are served; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby extend its warmest wishes and congratulations to CALOR, its executive director, Omar N. López, and its wonderful team as it celebrates this 25-year milestone, and honors them for their dedication to and service of Cook County's HIV positive community.

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 CALOR to commemorate this joyous occasion.

15-1604

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD, CELEBRATING AND HONORING COOK COUNTY NATIVE CHE "RHYMEFEST" SMITH AND HIS CONTRIBUTION TO THE AWARD-WINNING SONG "GLORY"

WHEREAS, "*Glory*," a song authored by John Legend, Lonnie Rashid Lynn, Jr.-better known by his stage name, "Common"- and Chicago's own Che "Rhymefest" Smith, is included on the soundtrack to the movie *Selma*; and,

WHEREAS, *Selma*, directed by Ava DuVernay, is a movie acclaimed for its portrayal of the 1965 Selma to Montgomery Marches undertaken by Civil Rights Activists including Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., John Lewis, Amelia Boynton, James Bevel, and many others in advocacy of Voting Rights; and,

WHEREAS, the Selma to Montgomery Marches were a seminal moment in the history of the United States and the African American Civil Rights movement, which helped bring about the enactment of the Federal Voting Rights Act in 1965 that was signed into law by President Lyndon Baines Johnson; and,

WHEREAS, the song, "*Glory*" beautifully represents both the historical events depicted in the movie *Selma* as well as the relevance of this history to the struggle for equality that continues to this day in the United States of America; and,

WHEREAS, the song, "*Glory*" has been recognized as an outstanding artistic achievement, winning this year's Golden Globe Award for Best Song, and also earning a Best Song nomination at the upcoming Academy Awards; and,

WHEREAS, Che "Rhymefest" Smith's contribution to the song "*Glory*" as one of its composers is just

the latest in a series of notable achievements for this proud son of Cook County and the South Side of Chicago; and,

WHEREAS, Che “Rhymefest” Smith is a notable musician, lyricist, hip hop artist and activist who has garnered numerous accolades worldwide, including winning a Grammy award in 2005; and,

WHEREAS, the social contributions of Che “Rhymefest” Smith range far beyond the realm of music, including:

- Working with U.S. Representatives Sheila Jackson Lee of Texas, John Conyers of Michigan and Hank Johnson of Georgia to advocate for House Resolution 848, also known as “The Performance Rights Act”;
- Meeting with future Prime Minister of Great Britain David Cameron in 2006 on the issues of poverty, violence, and the cultural role of hip hop music; and,
- Hosting the radio show “Speak Up” on WVON 1690 AM; and,

WHEREAS, Che “Rhymefest” Smith’s work on “*Glory*” and his commitment to free expression and activism embody the very best of Cook County;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the President of Cook County and the Cook County Board of Commissioners that we honor and celebrate Che “Rhymefest” Smith, and congratulate him for the well-deserved recognition he and his fellow composers have received for the song “*Glory*.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Clerk provide a copy of this resolution to Che “Rhymefest” Smith, in recognition of this achievement.

15-1608

Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD, CELEBRATING AND HONORING COOK COUNTY NATIVE LONNIE RASHID LYNN, JR.-ALSO KNOWN AS “COMMON”-AND HIS CONTRIBUTION TO THE AWARD-WINNING SONG “GLORY”

WHEREAS, “*Glory*,” a song authored and performed by Chicago’s own Lonnie Rashid Lynn, Jr.-better known by his stage name, “Common”- and artist John Legend, with lyrical contributions from Che “Rhymefest” Smith, is included on the soundtrack to the movie *Selma*; and,

WHEREAS, *Selma*, directed by Ava DuVernay, is a movie acclaimed for its portrayal of the 1965 Selma to Montgomery Marches undertaken by Civil Rights Activists including Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., John Lewis, Amelia Boynton, James Bevel, and many others in advocacy of Voting Rights; and,

WHEREAS, the Selma to Montgomery Marches were a seminal moment in the history of the United States and the Civil Rights movement, which helped bring about the enactment of the Federal Voting Rights Act in 1965 that was signed into law by President Lyndon Baines Johnson; and,

WHEREAS, the song, “*Glory*” beautifully represents both the historical events depicted in the movie *Selma* as well as the relevance of this history to the struggle for equality that continues to this day in the United States of America; and,

WHEREAS, Common contributed to this acclaimed work of art not just through his musical contribution to the soundtrack, but also in his onscreen dramatic portrayal of James Bevel, one of the leaders of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference; and,

WHEREAS, Common’s performance of the song, “*Glory*” has been recognized as an outstanding artistic achievement, winning this year’s Golden Globe Award for Best Song, and also earning a Best Song nomination at the upcoming Academy Awards; and,

WHEREAS, Common’s composition and performance of the song “*Glory*” is just the latest in a series of notable achievements for this proud son of Chicago and Cook County; and,

WHEREAS, Common was born in Chicago on March 13, 1972; and,

WHEREAS, Common has achieved great commercial and critical success as an internationally known hip hop artist, songwriter, and actor and is widely recognized for his positive, progressive message of

compassion and social uplift; and,

WHEREAS, Common has used his success not only to further his personal ambitions but as a vehicle to give back to his community; and,

WHEREAS, 12 years ago, Common started the Common Ground Foundation, a Chicago not-for-profit organization with the mission of using the creative arts to expose youth to new opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, the Common Ground Foundation has played an active service role in Cook County, connecting youth with mentoring, educational and vocational opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, in 2014 Common hosted the AAH! Fest, a one-day community wide music festival that also provides job-related activities and opportunities for youth to assist in all aspects of staging a performance, including helping to assist with the production process behind the scenes; and,

WHEREAS, the recognition of Common for his song, “*Glory*” and Common’s commitment to artistic excellence and community building embody the very best of Cook County;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the President of Cook County and the Cook County Board of Commissioners that we honor and celebrate, and congratulate Common for the well-deserved recognition he and his fellow performers and composers have received for the song “*Glory*.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Clerk provide a copy of this resolution to Common and the Common Ground Foundation at the earliest opportunity, in recognition of this achievement.

15-1622

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF THE HONORABLE BERNARD “BERNY” STONE

WHEREAS, Bernard “Berny” Stone was a man who loved the excitement and unpredictability of politics. Berny Stone is at rest but has left behind family, friends, and a community enriched for having known him; and

WHEREAS, Berny Stone diligently served his constituents as Alderman of the 50th Ward in Chicago. His accessibility to his West Rogers Park constituents was legendary and was one of his proudest achievements. He was steadfast in pursuing his principals and unafraid to do so even when it meant risking popularity; and

WHEREAS, Berny Stone was born on November 24, 1927. He was educated in the Chicago Public Schools, at Von Humboldt Elementary and Tuley High School, which is now Roberto Clemente Community Academy. He earned an undergraduate degree from Wright Junior College, now known as Wilbur Wright College, where he was president of his freshman class and a letterman on the school football team; and

WHEREAS, Berny Stone served his country in the United States Army in 1945 for two years before being honorably discharged with the victory and good conduct citations. He later obtained his Juris Doctorate from John Marshall Law School; and

WHEREAS, Berny Stone was first elected to the Chicago City Council in 1973 and was one of the longest-serving alderman in the history of that body. He also served as Vice Mayor of the City of Chicago from 1998 to 2011; and

WHEREAS, Berny Stone was chair of the Buildings Committee and was respected for his grasp of real estate and the law. His legislation mandating minimum overnight temperatures in apartments had a substantial impact on countless apartment dwellers; and

WHEREAS, Berny Stone is survived by his daughters, Ilana Feketitschs and Lori Schlossberg and son Jay Stone. He is also survived by his sister Delores Barth and seven grandchildren. Stone's wife Lois, preceded him in death in 1995 as did the couple's daughters Holly and Robin Stone; 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 commemorates the life of Bernard Stone, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the contributions he has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; and

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

15-1625

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, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE, ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND MEMORY OF THE HONORABLE JOSEPH A. TECSON

WHEREAS, Joseph A. Tecson, a man whose wisdom and hard work had a major impact on the state of Illinois died at age 86. The goal of making the village of Riverside, the county of Cook and the state of Illinois a better place was a motivating and defining force in his life. He has left behind a devoted family, countless friends and a community enriched for having known him; and

WHEREAS, Josepha Tecson diligently served the citizens of Cook County as a member of the Cook County Board for five years; he was the first Asian-American to serve on the Cook County Board; and

WHEREAS, while on the Cook County Board, Joseph Tecson served on the committee that oversaw Cook County Hospital and also served for many years on the Board of Directors of Brookfield Zoo; he was one of the greatest proponents of the Zoo's continual upgrades and addition of new exhibits; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Tecson grew up in Lakeview, the only child of a single mother. After he graduated from Lake View High School he served his country as a Navy radioman during World War II on the aircraft carrier USS Shangri-La; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Tecson attended Ripon College in Ripon, Wisconsin and later earned his Juris Doctorate at the University of Wisconsin Law School; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Tecson had a long and distinguished legal career. In the late 1970s, he founded Joseph A. Tecson and Associates, followed by Chuhak & Tecson in 1987, which he co-founded with the late Thomas S. Chuhak. He focused his practice on municipal law and health-care law. He was outside general counsel for MacNeal Hospital in Berwyn and the Clarke Group in St. Charles, Illinois and represented the village of North Riverside. He practiced law for more than 50 years before retiring;

WHEREAS, Joseph Tecson was a visionary leader in the area of transportation. He served on the boards of the Regional Transportation Authority and Metra. He served as the initial chair of the board of the Regional Transportation Authority and later on the Metra Board. His article on the creation of the Regional Transportation Authority is still widely consulted regarding transportation matters; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Tecson served as a delegate to the 1970 Illinois Constitutional Convention which crafted an entirely new constitution for the people of Illinois and is a document that continues in effect today. He was appointed to chair the committee which drafted the executive article of the constitution and is largely credited with crafting the rules for how state officials are elected; and

WHEREAS, as a delegate, Joseph Tecson was known for his diplomatic skills, skills that were instrumental in brokering not only a truce between extremely different perspectives but helped craft a document that is widely regarded for its wisdom and fairness. The end result was a hard-fought set of compromises between many diverse interests in Illinois. Delegates wrestled with myriad hot-button issues, including the death penalty and employment and housing discrimination. It was largely due to Tecson's diplomacy at the convention that the delegates were able to put aside such polarizing differences. They created a document that continues to serve the people of Illinois nearly five decades later; and

WHEREAS, likewise, in the legal profession, Joseph Tecson will long be remembered for his ability to help adversarial parties find common ground. This quality is viewed by colleagues and family members as among the defining traits of his career and life; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Tecson was a recognized governmental and healthcare expert, he served on the Board of Directors of MacNeal Hospital and helped lead the complete turnaround of that institution through the construction of a new replacement hospital; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Tecson was frequently asked to serve as special counsel to various government agencies, including the Illinois Department of Insurance, the Medical Disciplinary Board, the Department of Public Aid, the Department of Public Health and the Department of Professional Regulation; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Tecson also served on the boards of two banks and was the municipal attorney for the Village of North Riverside and an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Tecson's absence will be felt most acutely by his wife of over 60 years Caroline and their children, Andrew, Sarah and David; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board on behalf of the nearly the 5.2 million residents of Cook County commemorates the extraordinary life of Joseph A. Tecson, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable contributions he has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; and does hereby offer its deepest condolences and

most heartfelt sympathy to the family, and many friends of Joseph Tecson and joins them in sorrow at the loss of this remarkable and accomplished civil servant and community leader; 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 Joseph A. Tecson, that his memory may be so honored.