

# BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

Second Consent Agenda

for the

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, December 16, 2015, 11:00 AM

#### 16-0627

**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

# LORRAINE METKE, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Lorraine Metke (nee Dedina) from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Lorraine Metke was the beloved wife of the late Kenneth; and

WHEREAS, Lorraine Metke was the loving mother of Terrence, Kenneth (Kathleen) Metke, and Kathleen (Thomas) Hughes; and

WHEREAS, Lorraine Metke was the beloved daughter of the late Albert and Margaret Dedina; and

**WHEREAS,** Lorraine Metke was the loving rierie of Samantha, Patrick, Meghan, Erin, Sean, Natalie, Nicholas, and the late Lauren Margaret; and

WHEREAS, Lorraine Metke was the dear sister of the late Jack (Carol) Dedina; and

**WHEREAS,** Lorraine Metke was the fond aunt of Lynn (Bill) Jeffries, Peggy (Gery) Kemp, Lisa (Pete) Contreras, and the late Sherry Dedina; and

WHEREAS, Lorraine Metke was the cherished cousin of Carolyn Jonites, and the dear cousin of many; and

WHEREAS, Lorraine Metke touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew her; and

**WHEREAS,** all who knew her will attest that Lorraine Metke was a kind and compassionate woman, virtuous of character and gentle in spirit, admired and respected by her many friends and neighbors, and dearly loved by her 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 and many friends of Lorraine Metke, 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 Lorraine Metke so that her memory

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may be so honored and ever cherished.

# 16-0642

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, and DEBORAH SIMS, County Commissioner

# PROPOSED RESOLUTION

# A RESOLUTION HONORING ROSELLA PERRY SMITH

WHEREAS, Rosella Perry Smith was born on September 19, 1935 to the late Maddie and Edward Perry; and

WHEREAS, Edward her father never saw Rosella because he was gravely ill and in isolation when she was an infant; and

**WHEREAS,** Rosella and her brother Ervin (Maurice) and sister Margaret grew up in the Ida B. Wells housing project on the South-side of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Rosella has fond memories of the community center in the neighborhood where her and the family attended; and

**WHEREAS,** it was at the community center that her and her friends made stage outfits for a group that Herb Kent "The Cook Gent" had discovered; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1953 Rosella graduated from Wendell Phillips High School and is a graduate of the Chicago Teacher's College which is known as Chicago State University; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1960, Rosella married another Wendell Phillips High School Alumnus, James O. Smith. Through that union three children was born; Jamella, Jarel and James known as (Casey) one grand-daughter Kendall; and

**WHEREAS**, Rosella and her family frequently dined at the finest restaurants, went to many plays, traveled all over the United States and cruises to the Caribbean; and

**WHEREAS,** Rosella taught in the Chicago Public School system for thirty- seven years. She started teaching at Doolittle Elementary School but spent the majority of her career at Avalon Park Elementary; and

WHEREAS, throughout Rosella's career she received many recognitions including The Golden Apple Award; and

**WHEREAS**, other activities have included; Sunday School Teacher, Youth and Choir Director at Metropolitan Community Church (now known as Apostolic Community Church); and

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**WHEREAS,** after retiring from teaching Rosella did not slow down at all. She volunteers with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Dusable Museum of African American History and a Docent at the Art Institute of Chicago; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and Board of Commissioners of Cook County congratulate Rosella Smith on the occasion of her 80th birthday.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this text is spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to Rosella Smith.

#### 16-0643

**Sponsored by:** JESÚS G. GARCÍA, County Commissioner

# **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

# COMMEMORATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF HENRY "HANK" MARTINEZ AS A DEVOTED HUSBAND, FATHER AND GRANDFATHER AND HIS ADVOCACY AND SERVICE ON BEHALF OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY AS A COMMUNITY LEADER

**WHEREAS**, Henry "Hank" Martinez was born on July 15, 1932 to the late Rafael & Josephine Martinez in Chicago to parents who came from Guanajuato, Mexico; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Martinez is survived by his wife of 38 years, Linda (nee Rico); two daughters: Alison Itzel Martinez and Kristal Fatima Martinez; one month old grandson: Henry Nathan Figueroa; and five siblings: Michael Martinez, Rafael Martinez, Constance Perez, Nadien Guerin, and Judith Rodriguez; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Martinez was a graduate of Roosevelt University, the University of Chicago, and received a Master's Degree in Juvenile Justice from Chicago State University; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Martinez dedicated his life to providing guidance for youth and to empower Latino communities and became a larger than life figure in the Southeast Chicago Region; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Martinez's life was marked by sacrifice and service, commitment and struggle, and he leaves a legacy of advocacy and institution building on behalf of the Latino community and specifically Latino youth and veterans; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Martinez has played various roles, among them: community organizer, youth advocate, state worker, consultant, journalist, social worker, executive director, Latino community leader, and devoted husband, father and grandfather; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Martinez was the Founder and Executive Director of the Mexican Community Committee (MCC), established to reduce crime and gang activity, the first entity of its kind in the Southeast community of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Martinez was the Founder and Director of the Latino Resource Institute of Illinois, which also houses an Illinois Welcoming Center and Family Advocacy Center; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Martinez served as Senior Supervisor at the Chicago Area Project (CAP), which addresses juvenile delinquency in some of the poorest communities of the city; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Martinez launched the First Latino Community College Program, "Proyecto Venceremos", in Southeast Chicago, which was later adopted by the City Colleges of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Martinez also served as a member of Gov. Ogilvie's Spanish Speaking Peoples Study Commission in the early 1970s, one of the first Latino Commissions in the nation; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Martinez became the visionary force behind the creation of the Illinois Latino Family Commission, becoming chairman in 2010 and leading the efforts to fight for Latino equality and inclusion; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Martinez was a Korean War Veteran, who honorably served his country in the U.S. Army. He made it his mission to ensure Latino Veterans had a voice and access to well-deserved supports. He founded the Latino Veterans Committee of the Illinois Latino Family Commission to provide a forum to connect Latino Veterans throughout the State to resources and to each other. He led the efforts to establish a Vietnam Veteran's Memorial in South Chicago that stands as a testament today of his commitment to fellow veterans; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Martinez was an active member of the American G.I. Forum, and numerous boards, councils, and commissions throughout his many years of service and advocacy; and

**WHEREAS**, until his last days Mr. Martinez's resolve to fight for the Latino community was matched only by his big heart and his continued resolve to serve as an advocate.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Cook County Board of Commissioners commemorates the life and legacy of Henry "Hank" Martinez.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this text be spread upon the proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Henry "Hank" Martinez.

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Sponsored by: JESÚS G. GARCÍA, County Commissioner

# PROPOSED RESOLUTION

# CONGRATULATING DR. GENARO ROMO JR. ON HIS 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF ROMO DENTAL AND LONG STANDING SERVICE

WHEREAS, Dr. Genaro Romo Jr. was born on October 22, 1972 in Chicago, Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Romo, one of four children of immigrant parents, was raised in Chicago's Little Village community, a husband to Sandy Romo, and a father to four children, Alyssa, Nicholas, and Issac; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Romo is a graduate of Gary School, Bogan High School, University of Illinois Chicago, and the University of Illinois Chicago College of Dentistry; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Romo worked as an extern in the pediatrics department at the UIC College of Dentistry, and in 1999 he opened a small private practice on west Devon Avenue while still practicing in the Back of the Yards neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2005, Dr. Romo purchased a dental office in Brighton Park from a retiring dentist and in 2009 he relocated and opened a state-of-the-art dental office next door, which is where he currently practices; and

**WHEREAS**, Romo Dental employs a total of 5 dentists, 1 orthodontist, 2 hygienists, and 12 office personnel and has over 12,000 active patients, who are primarily children and adults on Medicaid; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Romo an active community member has volunteered in numerous county wide health fairs, sponsored countless youth organizations including baseball, soccer, volleyball teams and the boy scouts, and frequently does oral health presentations at local schools; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Romo for Thanksgiving, annually donates turkeys to Columbia Explorers Academy to parent volunteers highlighting parent involvement, as well as patients, and during Christmas he chooses several patients to receive free dental care for the next several years, while for Mother's Day he provides free dental care for all mothers in need; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Romo is a commissioner for SSA 39 and recently gave a scholarship to a dental student for being active in community service; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Romo has served as a past President of the UIC College of Dentistry Alumni Board, President of the Chicago Chapter of the Hispanic Dental Association, and North Side branch of the Chicago Dental Society; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Romo currently serves as the Chair for the Chicago Dental Society's Communications Committee, Co-chair for the UIC's Campus Alumni Advisory Board's (CAAB) Awards Committee, a Trustee for the Illinois State Dental Society (ISDS), as Secretary for the Chicago Dental Society Foundation, the Secretary for the Independent Dental Organization, a member of the Governmental Affairs Committee at Chicago Dental Society, a member of the Communications Committee for ISDS, as a member of the Hispanic Dental Association, and as a spokesperson for the American Dental Association; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Romo frequently speaks to pre-dental students about a career in dentistry, and often mentors several dental students via the Chicago Dental Society; and

**WHEREAS**, during his high school, college and dental school years Dr. Romo was also known as Gino "Rockin" Romo, a DJ at the then Boys' and Girls' Club's radio station WCYC 90.5 F.M., where he also learned about giving back to the community and the importance of our youth.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate Dr. Genaro Romo on his 10 year anniversary of Romo Dental.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Genaro Romo Jr. in honor of this auspicious occasion.

#### 16-0647

**Sponsored by:** JESÚS G. GARCÍA, County Commissioner

#### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

#### CONGRATULATING MR. EMMANUEL GARCIA ON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE CHICAGO LGBT HALL OF FAME FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO CHICAGO'S LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, AND TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, Emmanuel García was born on January 31, 1982 to Irma García and Joel García; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. García, originally from Cicero is a Latino LGBTQ journalist, youth mentor, respected community leader, and has spent the last fifteen years as an activist; and

WHEREAS, Mr. García, is a board member of the ElevArte Community Studio in Pilsen, the Crossroads Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2003, Mr. García co-founded the Alvarado/García Scholarship for the Association of Latinos/as Motivating Action (ALMA), which for 10 years awarded two college scholarships to Latino gay, bisexual, queer youth; and

**WHEREAS**, in the same year, Mr. García became a contributing writer for *Windy City Times* and began writing a column for *En La Vida*, a sister publication, where he focused on Latino community events and

news and interviewed celebrities such as Paulina Rubio, Maria Conchita Alonso, La India, and Wilson Cruz, as well as three-time U.S. national figure skating champion Johnny Weir; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2009, Mr. García became the producer and voice behind *Homofrecuencia*, Chicago's first Spanish language LGBTQ public radio program at Radio Arte WRTE 90.5 FM, where he used advocacy journalism to highlight inequalities in immigration, healthcare, and employment through a Latino queer lens; and

**WHEREAS**, while at Radio Arte he became the lead organizer of Chicago's largest queer youth prom at the National Museum of Mexican Art, an event that he has led for the past five years; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2010 Mr. García began to shift the focus of his activism, using his experience in print, radio, and social media to mobilize the LGBTQ Latino community, co-organizing two buses with over 100 LGBTQ Latinos to travel to Washington, DC to demand immigration reform under the name "Rainbow Riders"; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2012 Mr. García developed and led an innovative model campaign designed to address homophobia, transphobia, and HIV/AIDS stigma within the Latino communities of Little Village and Cicero, in which focus groups were conducted among Latino parents of LGBTQ youth and transgender Latina women; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. García's efforts have resulted in a report on the needs of Trans Latina women in Chicago that was published while various public forums were organized to create new community efforts aimed at better serving Trans Latina women; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2012 Mr. García also served as a co-chair of the March on Springfield, where he brought his leadership role to the forefront in organizing a bus of more than seventy-five LGBTQ youth who traveled from Chicago to Springfield to lobby for marriage equality; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. García through public programing, in 2013 created "Vives Q," an innovative series of LGBTQ events aimed at encouraging intergenerational dialogue between LGBTQ youth and adults, while highlighting the contributions of LGBTQ trailblazers of color, and showcasing the artistic resilience of youth.

**WHEREAS,** on November 10th Mr. García was inducted to the Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame by the City of Chicago.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate Mr. Emmanuel García on his induction into the Chicago LGBT Hall of Fame, and for committing his life's work to the LGBTQ community.

#### 16-0657

**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

# IN RECOGNITION OF ELIZABETH REIDY'S SERVICE TO COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Reidy, General Counsel to the Cook County Health and Hospitals System retired on November 30th, and

**WHEREAS**, Elizabeth Reidy's career at Cook County spans nearly 30 years, consisting of legal guidance, counsel, and service to Cook County Government and the people that it serves, and

**WHEREAS,** Elizabeth Reidy joined the Cook County State's Attorney's Office in 1987 as an Assistant State's Attorney and then joined the State's Attorney's hospital unit in 1988; and

**WHEREAS**, while at the State's Attorney's Office, Elizabeth Reidy provided the health system with effective legal counsel on important issues like the development of the replacement facility for the old Cook County Hospital, revisions to the medical staff bylaws, and various other intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Reidy joined the Cook County Health & Hospitals System as its first General Counsel in 2009; and

**WHEREAS,** Elizabeth Reidy was instrumental in helping to secure the 1115 Waiver that created CountyCare, the advancement of the employment plan, and the development of the System's academic master affiliation agreements, and

WHEREAS, during her time with the health system, Elizabeth Reidy has earned the respect and admiration of her colleagues for her institutional knowledge, legal acumen, and many lasting relationships; and

**WHEREAS,** the President and members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners thank Elizabeth Reidy for her service to Cook County and wish her luck on her next chapter in life;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the President and Board of Commissioners of Cook County, does hereby gratefully acknowledge Elizabeth Reidy for her remarkable service, leadership, and steadfast commitment to the mission of the Cook County Health & Hospitals System and the people the health system serves.

#### 16-0658

**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

# JEROME MARATEA, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Jerome Maratea from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Jerome Maratea was the beloved husband of the late Violet Rose (nee Scalise); and

WHEREAS, Jerome Maratea was the dear father of Geraldine Maratea, and Janice (William) King; and

WHEREAS, Jerome Maratea was the beloved son of the late Raphael and Concetta Maratea; and

**WHEREAS,** Jerome Maratea was the dear brother of the late Virginia Paradiso, Anthony, Frank "Babe", and Ralph Jr. Maratea; and

WHEREAS, Jerome Maratea was the fond uncle of many nieces and nephews; and

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

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

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# Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner

# PROPOSED RESOLUTION

# COMMEMORATING THE LIFE, MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS PIONEERING SPIRIT OF LLOYD WILLIAM W. SHEPARD

**WHEREAS**, Lloyd W. Shepard represented the best qualities of citizenship and humanity through his life-long work as an Omega Man, entrepreneur, a businessman and as a community leader who fought tirelessly for social justice and equal opportunity for all. When he died at the age of 74 he left behind a family, countless friends and a community enriched for having known him; and

**WHEREAS**, Lloyd W. Shepard was born and began his education in Topeka, Kansas; he graduated from Topeka High School, earned his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Washburn University and joined the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. Later, Lloyd continued his studies at DePaul University and Northeastern Illinois University, after moving to Evanston; and

**WHEREAS,** Lloyd W. Shepard will long be remembered for his work promoting economic opportunity and equality. It was that belief that lead him to form L.W. Shepard and Associates, a business that worked to promote opportunity for economically-disadvantaged business owners and to insure that they were included in the city of Evanston's procurement and contracting opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, Lloyd W. Shepard later brought his talents to the city of Evanston when he took on the task of Business Development Coordinator, where he played a major role in insuring that the city achieve compliance with their a minority-owned, women-owned and Evanston-based business contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, Lloyd W. Shepard successfully worked on the Minority Business Development Committee for nearly a decade monitoring the projects closely for compliance. One of his major accomplishments there was establishing guidelines and procedures to assist the city in achieving its goals to hire minority companies. Under his watch Evanston routinely met and often surpassed its annual target participation rate; and

**WHEREAS,** Lloyd W. Shepard brought that same passion and determination to fight for equality in business and applied it to promote educational opportunities for all students. Throughout his life, Lloyd Shepard was a supporter of organizations that promoted educational equality. He served on the Evanston School District 65 Long Range Planning Committee for nearly two years, where he addressed difficult and contentious issues like desegregation; and

**WHEREAS,** Lloyd W. Shepard loved all things African. He believed people were improved by learning about the African culture and its many contributions to western civilization. He helped craft a curriculum that was designed to empower peoples of the African diaspora. The African Centered Curriculum at Oakton Elementary is a program that has been thriving for nearly a decade; and

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**WHEREAS,** Lloyd, along with his wife of over four decades, Terri pioneered the Coalition for Educational Equality which established an African History and Culture Club at Oakton Elementary school; and

**WHEREAS**, Lloyd W. Shepard freely and generously gave his time to his community. He served on the Evanston Human Relations Commission from 1991 to 1992. He served on the Minority Women and Evanston Business Enterprise Development Committee from 1998 to 1999 and coached many sports teams over the decades; and

**WHEREAS**, Lloyd W. Shepard's unfailing loyalty and his great generosity of spirit won him the affection and respect of the community. He was a role model for all who knew him and will be deeply missed; and

**WHEREAS**, Lloyd Shepard will be sorely missed by his wife, Terri; his daughters: Temple, Tasha (Jason), his sons: Christopher, David (Leslie); five grandchildren, Trey, Peyton, Lloyd II, Jason, and Taryn, and several adopted sons Earl, Terron, Makhosi, Damerio and a host of loving and caring nieces, nephews, extended relatives and friends; 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 extraordinary life and accomplishments of Lloyd Shepard, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable contributions he has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; 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 Lloyd Shepard, that his memory may be so honored.

#### 16-0678

**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

# **RESOLUTION HONORING PATRICIA WHITE ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT FROM THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, Patricia White served as Chairman John P. Daley's secretary for twenty years; and,

**WHEREAS**, Patricia White has rendered thoughtful assistance to hundreds of residents of the 11th District, who frequently seek her counsel; and

**WHEREAS**, Patricia White, in addition to her duties to Chairman Daley and the residents of the 11th District, has provided guidance and advice to dozens of County staff members and assisted them in navigating the intricacies of the Cook County Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Patricia White is a proud native of the Bridgeport neighborhood in Chicago, residing on the 3700 block of South Lowe Avenue for nearly her entire life; and

**WHEREAS**, Patricia White has known Chairman Daley since his childhood and their families have been close friends for decades; and

WHEREAS, Patricia White and her husband, the late Andrew White, raised their six children in Bridgeport; and

**WHEREAS**, Patricia White now plans to enjoy her well-earned retirement in the company of her many friends, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate Patricia White on her retirement, thank her for her service to the people of Cook County and wish her well in her future endeavors.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a suitable copy of this resolution be tendered to Patricia White in recognition for her service to the people of Cook County and the high esteem in which she is held by the President and members of the Cook County Board.

#### 16-0679

**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

# **RESOLUTION HONORING KEVIN FANNING ON THE OCCASION OF HIS DEPARTURE FROM SERVICE TO THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, Kevin Fanning served as Chairman John P. Daley's Chief of Staff since September of 2014; and,

WHEREAS, Kevin Fanning previously served as Policy Director for Commissioner Jeffrey R. Tobolski; and

**WHEREAS**, Kevin Fanning has been a tireless public servant, supporting Chairman Daley and Commissioner Tobolski in their steadfast commitment to the people of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Fanning, in addition to his public service, completed law school at DePaul University; and

**WHEREAS**, Kevin Fanning exercised his considerable legal ability on behalf of Chairman Daley and the members of the Cook County Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Kevin Fanning has acquired an expertise in the area of property tax law, including obtaining the prestigious Certified Illinois Assessing Officer accreditation; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Fanning intends to practice property tax law representing taxpayers in Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, Kevin Fanning will undoubtedly serve his clients in the same exemplary manner in which he served the people of Cook County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby salute Kevin Fanning for his years of dedicated service to the people of Cook County, and wish him well in his future endeavors.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a suitable copy of this resolution be tendered to Kevin Fanning in recognition for his service to the people of Cook County and the high esteem in which he is held by the President and members of the Cook County Board.