



**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**

**Wednesday, October 26, 2016, 11:00 AM**

**16-5920**

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

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**VETERANS DAY**

**WHEREAS**, Veterans Day, formerly known as Armistice Day, was originally proclaimed holiday on November 11, 1919 by President Woodrow Wilson to honor the end of World War I; and

**WHEREAS**, November 11, subsequently declared a legal holiday in 1938, was “dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as “Armistice Day”. In 1954, at the urging of veterans organizations, the 1938 Act was amended by replacing Armistice Day with Veterans Day; and

**WHEREAS**, from the Revolutionary War to the present day, the contributions made to the United States of America by her citizen soldiers, sailors, marines and airmen who stand in our place to defend the freedoms we enjoy cannot be calculated; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Cook has the largest veteran population in this state with 224,000 veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Cook has always honored the immeasurable wartime and peacetime contributions and sacrifice of the men and women of the United States Armed Forces; and

**WHEREAS**, Americans still give thanks to veterans for their service on Veterans Day with ceremonies and speeches and at 11 a.m. many Americans observe a moment of silence in remembrance of those who fought and for those who gave their lives to preserve the freedom we now enjoy; and

**WHEREAS**, the willingness of our citizens who have answered the call to duty to give freely and unselfishly of themselves, in defense of our democratic principles, gives this great Nation continued strength and vitality; and

**WHEREAS**, even today, members of the military are stationed throughout the world, while their families remain in our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, families praying for the safe return of loved ones experience everyday life in a very different way than others, as their everyday thoughts and feelings never stray far from those they honor and are proud of for serving this great nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the willingness of our citizens who have answered the call to duty to give freely and unselfishly of themselves, in defense of our democratic principles; and

**WHEREAS**, Veterans Day is a day set aside to thank and honor living veterans who served honorably in the military for their service - in wartime or peacetime; and

**WHEREAS**, the commemoration of this day is a matter of historic and patriotic significance to all American citizens.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize November 11, 2016 as Veterans Day and ask that on this day of honor all citizens express their gratitude to our veterans; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, with respect and gratitude, we salute all of our veterans, remembering “all gave some and some gave all” and devote special attention to those veterans who are sick and disabled, and show them through our actions that we remember and honor them.

**16-5996**

**Sponsored by:** RICHARD R. BOYKIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**HONORING THE LIFE OF IBERIA HAMPTON**

**WHEREAS**, almighty God in his infinite wisdom, called civil rights champion Iberia Hampton from our midst on October 17, 2016 at the age of 95; and,

**WHEREAS**, Iberia Hampton moved, with her husband Francis, from Haynesville, Louisiana as part of the Great Migration in the 1930s, to Argo, Illinois, and then to Blue Island, Illinois, finally settling in Maywood, Illinois in 1958; and,

**WHEREAS**, Iberia Hampton and her husband Francis raised three children, Delores, Fred and William in the Village of Maywood; and,

**WHEREAS**, Iberia Hampton was a longstanding figure in Chicago’s civil rights arena; and,

**WHEREAS**, Iberia Hampton’s son Fred was a renowned civil rights activist who inspired generations of community activists to create change; and,

**WHEREAS**, following her son Fred’s tragic murder in 1969, Iberia Hampton courageously and persistently continued her fight to preserve her son’s memory and advance the cause of equality in her community and beyond; and,

**WHEREAS**, Iberia Hampton fought to preserve her son’s memory and advocated for equality tirelessly her entire life; and,

**WHEREAS**, the legacy of Iberia Hampton to the Maywood community, the 1st District of Cook County, Chicago, Illinois and the nation is to be honored, celebrated and studied.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners honor the life of Iberia Hampton and extend deepest sympathies and condolences to the family and friends of Iberia Hampton.

**16-6005**

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

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**HONORING LILLIAN DRUMMOND ON THE OCCASION OF HER 95th BIRTHDAY**

**WHEREAS**, Lillian Drummond, a founding leader of the South Austin Coalition Community Council (SACCC) has, through her advocacy and leadership with SACCC, assisted the Austin community on several issues, including healthcare, labor, the environment, housing, education, and safety. SACCC has been a strong proponent of citizen involvement in the Austin Community; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lillian Drummond turned 95 this month; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lillian Drummond has been fearless in her advocacy for her neighbors; and,

**WHEREAS**, a strong focus of SACCC has been low income issues related to utilities and energy usage, an area of public policy on which Ms. Lillian Drummond has been especially active and effective; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lillian Drummond has faced down powerful mayors and a president to fight for the plights of senior citizens and low-income families struggling to pay their energy bills; and,

**WHEREAS**, one of Ms. Drummond's signature achievements was to organize the Affordable Budget Coalition in 1985. The Coalition worked successfully to enact the 12% Energy Assistance Plan, which made heating and lighting available to low-income families; and,

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Drummond became known for an encounter with President Bill Clinton, while he was visiting Chicago in 1994. Ms. Drummond approached President Clinton during an appearance by the President in Chicago, in order to personally register her concerns regarding proposed cuts to the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP); and,

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Drummond's advocacy was instrumental in the successful passage of the Percentage of Income Payment Plan in 2009. Under that legislation, low-income individuals are able to pay only 6% of their income for energy and reconnection, and to continue to stay connected so long as they pay 6% of their income. Ms. Drummond also helped to ensure that the Community and Economic Development Association supervised the funding of the Percentage of Income Payment Plan; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lillian Drummond was instrumental in the creation of the Austin Satellite Senior Center, where she to this day continues her battle to better her community; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lillian Drummond has been honored by many organizations, including the 2006 Edward Bailey Lifetime Community Service Act, the Illinois Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Award, and an honorary street designation by the City of Chicago; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lillian Drummond’s efforts and advocacy have enormously benefitted many citizens of Cook County; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lillian Drummond will continue her tireless pursuit for justice and fair treatment of some of Chicago’s neediest citizens;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that the life and extensive accomplishments of Mrs. Lillian Drummond are to be honored on the occasion of her 95th birthday.

**16-6055**

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

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**HONORING WOORI TAEKWONDO & HAPKIDO ACADEMY**

**WHEREAS**, “Woori” means “You and Me”, Woori Taekwondo and Hapkido Academy is a community of martial artists with the same goal, that of striving toward excellence in marital arts and in every aspect of our lives; and

**WHEREAS**, philanthropy holds a special place of importance in the Woori philosophy; and

**WHEREAS**, on Saturday, November 19, 2016, Woori Taekwondo and Hapkido Academy is sponsoring its 4th Annual fundraising event to benefit St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital entitled, “**Kick for the Cure**” and

**WHEREAS**, performances will be held by 3 Demonstration Teams of all ages from south suburban Matteson, Evergreen Park and Hyde Park; and

**WHEREAS**, Woori Taekwondo and Hapkido Academy is a team of highly motivated and superbly trained individuals dedicated to the development of character and inner peace characterized by integrity and discipline; and

**WHEREAS**, participants are Black Belt Testing for Woori Masters; Grand Master Kwan Pil Kim - 6th Degree in Hapkido; Master Hyo Min Lee- 5th Degree in Taekwondo; Master Asad Umrani-4th Degree in Hapkido and students Low Belt and Black Belt Testing; and

**WHEREAS**, all proceeds raised from the sale of “Kick for the Cure” event will go to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners commend the instructors and students of Woori Taekwondo and Hapkido Academy on its fundraising effort “Kick for the Cure” to benefit St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and official copy be given to Woori Taekwondo & Hapkido Academy in honor of their “Kick for the Cure” event on November 19, 2016.

**16-6095**

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**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**EDWARD MCELROY, IN MEMORIAM**

**WHEREAS**, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Ed McElroy from our midst; and

**WHEREAS**, Ed McElroy was the dear husband of Rita Marie ; and

**WHEREAS**, Ed McElroy was the beloved son of the late Joseph and Elizabeth McElroy; and

**WHEREAS**, Ed McElroy was the loving father of Edward T. (Demetra) McElroy, Beth (Jack) Kirkwood and David McElroy; and

**WHEREAS**, Ed McElroy was the proud grandfather of Danny, Lily, Mike, Tim, Megan and the late Emily; and

**WHEREAS**, Ed McElroy bravely served in the U.S. Army Air Corps in 1944-45 and was a member of the Catholic War Veterans where he was elected National Commander in 1963; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1946 Ed McElroy began his career in broadcasting and worked at WJOB in Hammond, Indiana and later WIND and WJJD in Chicago , and

**WHEREAS**, in 1986 Ed McElroy founded a public relations firm that represented many government agencies and elected officials; and

**WHEREAS**, Ed McElroy hosted a TV program known as “The Ed McElroy Show” that provided insight into local government and elected officials; and

**WHEREAS**, Ed McElroy was a marvelous story teller who provided detailed insight into Chicago, its residents and its neighborhoods to his listeners and friends; and

**WHEREAS**, Ed McElroy, touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew him; and

**WHEREAS**, all who knew him will attest that , Ed McElroy, 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 his neighbors; 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 Ed McElroy 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 Ed McElroy, so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.