



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY

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

Consent Agenda

Tuesday, April 11, 2017, 9:00 AM

Third Set

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Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, 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 and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF JUSTICE JOHN STAMOS

WHEREAS, John Stamos, former Illinois Supreme Court Justice, Appellate Justice and Cook County State's Attorney, died January 28, 2017; and

WHEREAS, as Supreme Court Justice, Justice Stamos authored a number of key decisions, including the Himmel decision which set the moral standard for lawyers by mandating that attorneys report all forms of unethical activity and fellow lawyer misconduct; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos was born on the South Side of Chicago to Greek into a loving Greek family, Justice Stamos attended Bowen High School, DePaul University and DePaul University Law School;

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos in the army during World War II; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from law school, Justice Stamos worked as an assistant state's attorney, in the Office of the Cook County State's Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos rose through the ranks of the office, running the Criminal Division and eventually becoming First Assistant States Attorney. When Cook County State's Attorney Daniel P. Ward was elected to the Illinois Supreme Court, Justice Stamos was selected the Cook County State's Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos was known for his strong moral leadership and for frequently saying "do the right thing," when reviewing cases; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos created an era of high moral standards and ethics in the Office of the State's Attorney; and

WHEREAS, in February 1968, Justice Stamos was elected to the Illinois Appellate Court; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Illinois Supreme Court in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos retired from the bench in 1989 and practiced law with his son Jim; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos was a leader in the Chicago Greek community; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos' first wife, Helen predeceased him in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Justice Stamos is survived by his wife, Mary "Daisy" Stamos; his children James Stamos, Theo Stamos, Colleen Stamos and Jana Dimartino; four sisters, Christine Gehopolos, Sophie Carres, Bessie Mashos and Zoe Rummel; four grandsons; 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, does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Justice John Stamos and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; 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 John Stamos so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING JOE MANTEGNA ON HIS ILLUSTRIOUS CAREER AND CITY OF CHICAGO HONORARY STREET DEDICATION

WHEREAS, Mr. Joe Mantegna is a successful actor, producer, writer, director, and voice actor; and

WHEREAS, Joe Mantegna was born in Chicago, Illinois on November 13, 1947, and graduated from Morton East High School and Morton Junior College in Cicero, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, Mr. Mantegna began his acting and music career, starting a rock band in the 1960's called The Apocryphals that toured throughout the Midwest, later playing with another local group, The Missing Links, who went on to form the band Chicago, his favorite band; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mantegna went on to attend the Goodman School of Drama in the late 1960's, and made his acting debut in the 1969 stage production of *Hair* and debuted on Broadway in *Working*; and

WHEREAS, he later earned a Tony Award for Best Featured Actor in a Play for portraying Richard Roma in the first American production of David Mamet's play, *Glengarry Glen Ross*; and

WHEREAS, among his many memorable film rolls, he is perhaps best known for his roles in box office hits including *Three Amigos*, *Forget Paris*, *Up Close and Personal* and of course his unforgettable role as Joey Zasa in *The Godfather Part III*; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mantegna wrote Bleacher Bums, a play about the beloved Chicago Cubs, while he was a member of Chicago's Organic Theater Company, and was a member of its original cast; and

WHEREAS, he married the love of his life, Arlene Vrhel, in 1975; the couple has two daughters, Mia and Gia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mantegna also demonstrates a commitment to his community, participating in the National Memorial Day Concert since 2002, and he and his wife are also proud supporters of the Easter Seals Chicago and their Therapeutic School and Center for Autism Research; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, Mr. Mantegna received the Saint Pio Award from the Saint Pio Foundation, in recognition of his outstanding contributions in "providing relief from suffering to those in need;" and

WHEREAS, he has received many awards, including a Tony Award, three Emmy nominations, and a Golden Globe Award nomination. Mr. Mantegna received the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2004 at the Los Angeles Italian Film Festival and has led the singing of "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" during the 7th inning stretch multiple times at Wrigley Field; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mantegna currently lives in Los Angeles, California with his wife Arlene, but they remain Chicagoans at heart, and own a restaurant in Burbank, California called "Taste Chicago," so they would never want for a good beef sandwich or deep dish pizza; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his storied career and his service to the community, the City of Chicago has sought fit to bestow an honorary street sign to Mr. Mantegna by dedicating the southeast corner of North Hudson Avenue and West Armitage Avenue as "Joe Mantegna Way";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate and honor Mr. Joe Mantegna for his many accomplishments both in his career and in the community as well as his City of Chicago Honorary Street Dedication; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to Mr. Joe Mantegna in honor of his outstanding achievements.