



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY

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

Consent Agenda

Tuesday, May 9, 2017, 9:00 AM

Special Consent Calendar Meeting - Third Set

17-3248

Sponsored by: LUIS ARROYO JR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING LOGANSQUARIST'S SIXTH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, in 2011, Chicago-based digital strategist and journalist, Kate Hamilton wished to connect with her Logan Square neighborhood. Armed with this goal, Kate created LoganSquarist, all with just a Twitter account; and

WHEREAS, all content produced by LoganSquarist staff is written by a team of neighborhood philanthropic writers and photographers who have migrated from Ohio, Michigan, North/South Carolina, Texas and many other states, who now love and live in Logan Square. LoganSquarist also engages the community by accepting submissions from members of the community; and

WHEREAS, since its creation, LoganSquarist has grown into a community across multiple web and social sites supported by an extremely talented and dedicated staff of volunteers. In July 2013, LoganSquarist was incorporated as a Limited Liability Company; and

WHEREAS, LoganSquarist is now a very popular website that covers neighborhood news, food, drink, business, arts, entertainment, politics, crime, living & lifestyle topics, family, youth, historical information and events in the Logan Square, Chicago neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, LoganSquarist reports on Logan Square *for* Logan Square through news, photo galleries and events. Their online community connects one another via the site, on a number of social media channels and through their email newsletters, not to overshadow their To-Do List emails. True to its mission, LoganSquarist.com features a calendar of events highlighting the wide array of activities for all ages. They also include a neighborhood directory to support and promote local businesses while hosting monthly Neighbor Meetups in the community to continue engaging and connecting Logan Square residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Cook County Board, issue a proclamation that all of the citizens of Cook County acknowledge and congratulate Kate Hamilton and the volunteer staff of LoganSquarist for their committed, purposeful and philanthropic community contributions during these past six years. LoganSquarist will be celebrating their 6th Year Anniversary on Thursday, May 11, 2017; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and an official copy of the same be presented to Kate Hamilton, Founder and LoganSquarist Staff to commemorate this milestone event.

17-3259

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THOMAS J. MAHONEY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, after over fifteen years of service Thomas J. Mahoney will retire from Cook County on June 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Mahoney has dutifully served the County of Cook for over fifteen years. In those years he served with distinction and earned the respect and affection of his co-workers, many of whom also describe themselves as friends. He is widely known for his exceptional kindness and magnanimity at work and as a tireless volunteer in the community; and

WHEREAS, throughout his fifteen years at the County, Thomas J. Mahoney has served the citizens in multiple ways. Prior to his work as Cook County Commissioner Larry Suffredin's Property Tax Specialist he was Deputy Cook County Treasurer under Edward J. Rosewell. He was Chief Residential Analyst at the Cook County Board of Review under Brendan Hoolihan. He worked as a Scribe for the Cook County Recorder of Deeds under Sidney R. Olsen. He was a law clerk in the administration of Cook County State's Attorney Edward V. Hanrahan, and he worked for the city of Chicago as Supervisor of Special Assessments under Marshall Korshak; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, Tom has been active in Illinois politics, and worked on a number of county, state and local elections where his excellent work was often singled out for distinction. He was chosen Young Democrats, *Man of the Year* in 1975, was elected Chairman of the Young Democrats of Cook County in 1976, and was elected president of the Democrats of Northfield Township in 1978; and

WHEREAS, in addition to working for Cook County, Thomas J. Mahoney has been a successful business leader in the community. He was President of Taxpayers' Advocate, Inc., was owner of ICC Integrated Communications Coordinators, was Executive Director of the Waukegan Business Association and served his country in the United States Army Reserves; and

WHEREAS, after his retirement, Thomas J. Mahoney will have more time to dedicate himself more fully to his many charitable pursuits. He is a founding member of the Northbrook Jaycees, was Chairman of the 4th of July Committee and is the Senior Vice-Commander of the American Legion post in Northbrook; and

WHEREAS, during his lengthy career Thomas J. Mahoney has earned the respect, admiration and appreciation of the citizens of Cook County as well as his co-workers. Constituents of the Thirteenth District regularly looked forward to their regular visits with him to get assistance with their property tax appeals; his patience and exceptional knowledge were deeply appreciated; and

WHEREAS, there will likely be no greater anticipated post-retirement pursuit for Tom Mahoney than traveling and spending time with his treasured family, his wife Sheila, his children Meghan and Tom and his grandchildren, Katie and Ellie; 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 takes great pleasure in honoring Thomas J. Mahoney on his retirement and herewith honors and thanks him for all that he has done bettering the lives of 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 Thomas J. Mahoney on the occasion of his retirement.

17-3263

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING GEORGE WESTINGHOUSE COLLEGE PREP FOR BEING NAMED ONE OF THE TOP HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE UNITED STATES

WHEREAS, George Westinghouse College Prep is a distinguished high school located on the West Side of Chicago, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Westinghouse College Prep was founded in 2009 as a selective enrollment school within the Chicago Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, more than 1,100 students attend Westinghouse College Prep; and

WHEREAS, the student body of Westinghouse College Prep benefit from a rigorous College and Career program that permits students to choose a Radio-TV broadcasting career tract, a Medical Academy, or Information Networking and Business Academy; and

WHEREAS, the student body of Westinghouse College Prep reflects a diverse range of backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, Westinghouse College Prep has received numerous awards and is rated a Level 1+ by Chicago Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Westinghouse College Prep was named in April of 2017 one of the top high schools in the country by U.S. News and World Report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that the teachers, students, parents, and administration of George Westinghouse College Prep are to be recognized and congratulated for the achievement of being named a top high school by U.S. News and World Report.

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING PHOENIX MILITARY ACADEMY FOR BEING NAMED ONE OF THE TOP HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE UNITED STATES

WHEREAS, Phoenix Military Academy is a distinguished military academy in Chicago, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Phoenix Military Academy is one of six military academies in the City of Chicago and is rated Level 1+ in school performance; and

WHEREAS, More than 500 students attend Phoenix Military Academy; and

WHEREAS, the student body of Phoenix Military Academy benefit from a unique educational environment that centers around building character; and

WHEREAS, the student body of Phoenix Military Academy reflects a diverse range of backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 class was awarded more than \$9 million in scholarships for college; and

WHEREAS, Phoenix Military Academy has consistently been recognized nationally and locally for its students' many successes; and

WHEREAS, Phoenix Military Academy was named in April of 2017 one of the top high schools in the country by U.S. News and World Report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that the teachers, students, parents, and administration of the Phoenix Military Academy are to be recognized and congratulated for the achievement of being named a top high school by U.S. News and World Report.

17-3272

Sponsored by: SEAN M. MORRISON, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION HONORING GARY WARNER

WHEREAS, Gary K. Warner has retired from the office of Maine Township Clerk after 24 years in office and 29 years of public service on the Maine Township Board where he performed his responsibilities tirelessly and with the highest level of professionalism and integrity for his Maine Township constituents; and

WHEREAS, Gary was appointed to the Maine Township Board as Collector in 1989, a position he held for five years before his election to Township Clerk in 1993 where he served until May 2017; and

WHEREAS, Clerk Warner and his office were responsible for providing numerous services to the public which included voter registration, absentee voting, notary public services, passport applications acceptance, residential vehicle stickers, Medic Alert ID applications, Hunting & Fishing licenses and several more services; and

WHEREAS, Gary has received several awards and honors for his service as Maine Township Clerk including Township Clerk of the Year in 2006 by The Township Officials of Illinois and the Community Star Award for Government in 2009 by the Park Ridge Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, Gary received township approval to designate \$1,000 annually to Honor Flight Chicago from money generated from processing fees collected by the Clerk's Office which began a program that has helped fund numerous trips for World War II and Korean War veterans to visit the war memorials in Washington D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Gary, a U.S. Army veteran, served with distinction as a past commander of AmVets Post #36 and is an active member of the Park Ridge American Legion Post #247; and

WHEREAS, Gary spent 40 years as a proud working tradesman for Pipefitters Local #597 until his retirement in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Gary and his wife of 62 years, Arlene have made their home in Maine Township for over 60 years and in the City of Park Ridge since 1969 where they raised their three children and enjoy spending time with their grandchildren and great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Gary has earned the respect, admiration, and praise of his colleagues, staff and constituents for his 29 years of dedicated service as a Maine Township elected official; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Cook County Board of Commissioners wishes Gary K. Warner a prosperous and productive life in his retirement and that he will be truly missed as an asset to Maine Township government; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of the Honorable Body, and an official copy be tendered to Gary K. Warner in appreciation and acknowledgement of his dedicated service to Maine Township and the greater community.

17-3273

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING MORGAN PARK HIGH SCHOOL MUSTANGS 2016- 2017 3-A BOYS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONS

WHEREAS, members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners are proud to recognize excellence in high school sports; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners recognizes the importance of team sports in developing the qualities of respect, collaboration, hard work and dedication in young adults; and

WHEREAS, the Morgan Park High School Mustangs played 32 games in the 2016-2017 with a record of (26-6) and a League Record of 9-1; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Nick Irvin shares this victory with Athletic Director, Michael Berger, Assistant Coaches Josh Brown, Rodell Davis, Kurtis Ellison, Lauren Foster, Christian Hopkins, Lance Irvin, Terry Johnson, along with managers Sharif King and Alan Taylor; and

WHEREAS, Coach Nick Irvin was named 2016-2017 Illinois Boys Basketball Coach of the Year by USA Today; and

WHEREAS, The Morgan Park Varsity Mustangs were led this year by their five Seniors: Melo Burrell, Quincy Dillard, Lenell Henry, Cam Irvin, and Tavaris McCullough; and

WHEREAS, Seniors, Melo Burrell, Lenell Henry, and Cam Irvin were named to the All Red South Conference team. In addition Junior Ayo Dosunmu was named to the All city, All Red South Conference, All Area, and All State Teams. He also was named Daily South town Player of the Year, Rated top 20 Junior in the Country and Max Prep All American; and

WHEREAS the Mustangs competed in the Regional Semifinals defeating Evergreen Park 95-44, Regional Finals defeating Butler 81-64, Sectional Semifinals, vs Brooks, 85-60, Super Sectional Finals: Vs St. Rita defeating them 79-72, defeated Hillcrest 54-43, Lanphier 60-53 and defeated Fenwick in overtime 69-67 to win the Championship game.; and

WHEREAS, Morgan Park High School Varsity 2016-2017 team roster of, Nimari Burnett, Cam Burrell,

Melo Burrell, Ayo Dosummu, Quincy Dillard, Kenyon Duling, Deandre Freeman, Jemari Harris, Lenell Henry, Cam Irvin, Tarvaris McCullough, Lamond Johnson, Tamell Pearson, Shon Robinson, Marcus Watson, are to be congratulated on leading Morgan Park High School Boys Varsity Basketball team to a great season and impressive 3-A Boys Basketball State Championship we are all proud of.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners join the Morgan Park family, Led BY Dr. Carolyn Epps Principal and Asst. Principal Deborah Carter along friends and community in congratulating the coaching staff and team members of the Morgan Park High School on their great achievement and their sense of teamwork, respect, hard work and dedication.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread across the official text of the proceedings of this honorable body and that suitable copies hereof be presented to the administration, coaching staff and team members in honor of this occasion.

17-3274

Sponsored by: LUIS ARROYO JR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING MAY AS ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, Cook County is a diverse community of more than five million people with ancestries from all parts of the world; and

WHEREAS, the more than 300,000 Asian American residents of Cook County have contributed significantly to the development of our neighborhoods and cities; and

WHEREAS, Asian, along with Irish immigrants and African Americans among others, constructed and operated the transcontinental railroads that passed through Cook County and provided the basis for our county's economic strength as a transportation center; and

WHEREAS, Cook County is home to Asian American veterans who fought heroically for our nation through many of her conflicts in the 20th century, including Filipinos who, alongside soldiers from Maywood Illinois, survived the Bataan Death March in the Philippines during World War II, and Japanese Americans of the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Teams who served our nation with the highest military honors despite being designated for internment in American concentration camps on the west coast; and

WHEREAS, Asian American immigrants have made -and continued to make- tremendous efforts in professional fields such as medicine, engineering, education, accounting and chemistry; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans, both native born and naturalized immigrants, are making strides in a wider range of professional fields including government, the arts, journalism, the legal profession, athletics, international trade, higher learning and the entertainment industry; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans are among the ranks of elected and appointed officials at the local municipalities, city, county, state and national levels, and are helping to share the future of our nation and society; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Joseph Tecson, former Cook County Board Commissioner, served as the first Asian American Cook County Commissioner from 1977-1982; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans are in key positions in the news, entertainment and social media industries as co-founders of firms such as Yahoo, YouTube, Sun Microsystems; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans are a major force in various business and education sectors; and

WHEREAS, Asian American athletes, and Asian athletes in America are excelling individually and are leading national sports teams and American professional sports teams to Olympic medals and world championships; and

WHEREAS, Cook County employs the largest number and percentage of Asian Americans in any governmental workforce in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Cook County values the diversity of the Asian American community and has sought out the advice of Asian Americans in Cook County and has convened the first ever, Cook County Asian American Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, Asian American Heritage Month provides Cook County and opportunity to restate its firm stand against any and all discrimination on the basis of race, creed or national origin of Cook County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners congratulate the Asian American Coalition of Chicago with this year's Host Committee, the Pakistani American Community and declare the month of May as Asian American Heritage Month in Cook County, and urge all residents and groups to participate in the events sponsored by Asian American organizations throughout the month of May.

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION**CONGRATULATING WHITNEY M. YOUNG HIGH SCHOOL DOLPHINS 2016-2017 4-A BOYS STATE CHAMPIONS**

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners recognizes the importance of team sports in developing the qualities of respect, collaboration, hard work and dedication in young adults; and

WHEREAS, the Whitney M. Young Dolphins played 32 games in the 2016-2017 with a record of (26-6); and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Tyron Slaughter shares the victory with Assistant Coaches Justin Bowen, Brandon Bright, David Howard, Jonathan James and Julian Kenner and Managers: Isaiah Holmes, Brendan Foster, Keyshawn Aytch, and William Rosado; and

WHEREAS, The Whitney Young Dolphins were led this year by their Seniors: Craig Beaudion, Derrick Faulkner, Michael Feigen, James Frizell, Justin Stovall, and Lucas Williamson; and

WHEREAS, the Dolphins competed in the Regional Semifinals beating Riverside-Brookfield 97-64, led by Jake Kosakowski: 14 points, Regional Finals beating Lincoln Park 66-54, led by Lucas Williamson 17 points; Sectional Semifinals, vs Kenwood, 59-49 led by Javon Freeman: 19 points, 7 rebounds, 3 assists, 4 steals, Sectional Finals: Vs Oak Park-River Forest 73-55, led by Javon Freeman 17 points, Super-Sectional Vs. Evanston 67-59 led by Javon Freeman: 23 points, 8 rebounds, State Semifinals: 53 vs Fremed 47, led by Lucas Williamson 17 points, and Whitney Young won the State championship game defeating Simon 60-50 lead by Lucas Williamson 19 points, Justin Boyd's 17 points which included (5) 3 pointers); and

WHEREAS, Whitney Young's 2016-2017 team roster of, Emeka Anosike, Myles Baker, Tyler Beard, Craig Beaudion, Justin Boyd, Xavier Castaneda, Derrick Faulkner, Michael Feigen, Javon Freeman, Jalen Frizell, Keenan Jones, Jake Kosakowski, Justin Stovall, and Lucas Williamson are to be congratulated on leading Whitney M. Young High School Boys Varsity Basketball team to a great season and impressive 4-A Boys State Championship we are all proud of; and

WHEREAS, Jahilil Okafor who currently in his second season with the Philadelphia 76ers, Quentin Richardson who has retired from the NBA having played 13 years as a professional player and is currently serving as the Director of Player Development for the Detroit Pistons and Hon. Stanley Moore, Cook County Commissioner- 4th District are graduates of Whitney M. Young High School.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners join the Whitney M. Young School family led by Dr. Joyce Kenner Principal and Athletic Director Chris Cassidy, friends and community in congratulating the coaching staff and team members of the Whitney M. Young Boys Basketball team on their great achievement and their sense of teamwork, respect, hard work and dedication during the 2016-2017 Basketball Season.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread across the official text of the proceedings of this honorable body and that suitable copies hereof be presented to the administration, coaching staff and team members in honor of this occasion.

17-3277

Sponsored by: SEAN M. MORRISON, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION HONORING CAROL A. TESCHKY

WHEREAS, Carol A. Teschky has retired from the office of Maine Township Supervisor after 10 years in office and 28 years of public service on the Maine Township Board where she performed her responsibilities tirelessly and with the highest level of professionalism and integrity for her Maine Township constituents, a constituency that holds the distinction as Cook County's largest unincorporated population with over 25,000 residents; and

WHEREAS, Carol was first elected to the Maine Township Board as a Trustee in 1989, a position she held for 18 years before her appointment to Township Supervisor in 2007 where she served until May 2017; and

WHEREAS, as Supervisor, Carol was charged with directing an administration responsible for administering numerous township services and programs such as General Assistance, MaineStay Youth & Family Services, Emergency Management, Code Enforcement, MaineStreamers Seniors and many other functions of Maine Township government; and

WHEREAS, Carol's record of fiscal responsibility saw the Maine Township budget balanced every year, a reduction in the tax levy and no debt on the books during her 10 years of board leadership as Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Carol's leadership efforts as Supervisor was recognized numerous times which included recognition in 2011 by the Township Officials of Illinois with the Township Friend of Senior Citizens Award and the Township Friend of Youth Award as well as the Community Star Award for Government in 2012 by the Park Ridge Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, during her service on the township board, Carol was instrumental in the township's creation of a Gang Task Force which was formed in response to a sudden, rising juvenile crime rate in the early 1990's that created a zero-tolerance policy for gangs trying to recruit in Maine Township; and

WHEREAS, Carol was pivotal in the expansion and bolstering of the Neighborhood Watch programs and the creation of a Youth Drop-in Center to give kids a safe and productive alternative to the potential

trouble lurking on the streets; and

WHEREAS, Carol and her husband John have been residents of Maine Township for 45 years and have three adult children and three grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Carol has earned the respect, admiration, and praise of her colleagues, staff and constituents for her 29 years of dedicated service as a Maine Township elected official; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Cook County Board of Commissioners wishes Carol A. Teschky a prosperous and productive life in her retirement and that she will be truly missed as an asset to Maine Township government; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of the Honorable Body, and an official copy be tendered to Carol A. Teschky in appreciation and acknowledgement of her dedicated service to Maine Township and the greater community.