

Brothers Keeper Community Outreach Church

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Madam Toni Preckwinkle
Cook County Board President
118 N. Clark St. Room #537
Chicago, IL 60602

Peace and Blessings Madam Preckwinkle:

We are certainly living in unprecedented times where everyone is experiencing financial setbacks. During this pandemic we cannot afford to deny our residents the necessary access to the vital health resources they rightfully deserve. It is believed that the merging of Near South and the Woodlawn Health Clinic into Provident Hospital will cause some major inconveniences to the immediate surrounding residents. We understand that Provident Hospital will remain an anchor in the community providing better services to its residents.

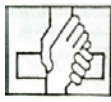
While our state and local governments are on the frontlines of this crisis, they are experiencing increased spending for public health and Medicaid which weigh heavy on their budgets. With the closure of businesses and the high levels of unemployment, have caused the sales tax revenues to plummet leaving the state and local governments unable to collect the necessary taxes and fees to withstand this financial burden.

It is my hope that you, Madam President and the entire Cook County Board of Commissioner's pass a balanced budget to ensure that vital resources and /or services continue to be made available that are of the utmost of importance to the black and brown communities, and I support your efforts to do so.

Sincerely,

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