

**Board of Commissioners of Cook County**

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL



**Consent Calendar Journal of Proceedings**

**Tuesday, September 11, 2018**

**9:00 AM**

**Consent Calendar Meeting**

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

LUIS ARROYO, JR.  
RICHARD R. BOYKIN  
JERRY BUTLER  
JOHN P. DALEY  
DENNIS DEER  
JOHN A. FRITCHEY  
BRIDGET GAINER  
JESUS G. GARCIA  
GREGG GOSLIN

EDWARD M. MOODY  
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DEBORAH SIMS  
LARRY SUFFREDIN  
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI

**DAVID ORR  
COUNTY CLERK**

Board met pursuant to law and pursuant to Resolution 18-0624.

**OFFICIAL RECORD**

President Preckwinkle in the chair.

**CALL TO ORDER**

At 9:00 A.M., being the hour appointed for the meeting, the President called the Board to order.

**QUORUM**

County Clerk David Orr called the roll of members and there was found to be a quorum present.

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Deer, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moody, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Suffredin and Tobolski (16)

**Absent:** Commissioner Fritchey (1)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Pursuant to Cook County Code of Ordinances, public testimony will be permitted at regular and special meetings of the Board. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon at this time to deliver testimony germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three (3) minutes. The names of duly authorized speakers shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Clerk of the Board.

1. Mark Armstrong – Chicago Urban Fine Arts Commonwealth NFP
2. George Blakemore – Concerned Citizen

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**18-4286  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, JESÚS G. GARCÍA,  
PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE, LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,  
JERRY BUTLER, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET GAINER, GREGG GOSLIN,  
EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,**

**TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS,  
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**EDWARD SADLOWSKI, IN MEMORIAM**

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

**WHEREAS**, Edward Sadlowski was the beloved husband of the Marlene; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward Sadlowski was the proud father of Susan Sadlowski Garza, Patricia Hoyt, Edward Sadlowski Jr and Diane Agelson; and

**WHEREAS** Edward Sadlowski was the proud grandfather of David Garza, Ryan Garza, Kate Garza, Tyler Garza, Deanna Hoyt, Adrienne Hoyt, Faith Sadlowski, Evelyn Sadlowski, Ed Sadlowski II, Angela Agelson and Hallee Agelson; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward Sadlowski was the loving great-grandfather of Aria and Sofia Garza; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward Sadlowski was born in Chicago's South Chicago neighborhood and left school early to bravely serve in the United States Army during the Korean War; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward Sadlowski began working as a machinist's apprentice at US Steel in Chicago where he received the nickname "Oil Can Eddie." In 1964, he became the youngest person elected as President of Local 65, the United Steelworkers of America (USWA); and

**WHEREAS**, in 1975, Edward Sadlowski became President of the United Steelworkers of America District 31 with a membership totaling over 125,000 workers in Illinois and Indiana; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward Sadlowski served on a local panel of the Illinois Labor Relations Board from 1993 to 2001; and

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Labor History Society inducted Edward Sadlowski into its Union Hall of Honor in 2012;

**WHEREAS**, Edward Sadlowski was an influential voice for working class men and women locally and nationally and his service to workers' rights and union activism has helped improve the lives of Steelworkers and union members across many industries; and

**WHEREAS** all who knew him will attest that Edward Sadlowski 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.

**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 Edward Sadlowski 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 Edward Sadlowski so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-4956  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, 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, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND  
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF THE HONORABLE DONALD LEROY WILLIAMS, SR.**

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. passed away on July 10, 2018 at the age of 92; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. was born on April 28, 1926 to Kelly and Mamie Williams in New Kensington, Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. married Mercedes Moore in 1950, who preceded him in death, and with whom he had five (5) children; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. married Ora Dee Gamble in 1964, who preceded him in death, and with whom he had one (1) child; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. married Dora Ziegler in 2002, who remained a figure of love and support by his side for the remainder of his life; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. was an engaged and loving father to his children Karen, Donald Jr., Sheryl, Sharlene, Denise, Rhonda, and dedicated stepfather to Alfonso Gamble and Donald Rogers; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. was the proud grandfather of 24 and the proud great-grandfather of 35; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr., worked in the Maywood community as a business owner, a pharmacist, a State Farm agency owner for 50 years, and the cofounder of a real estate company; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, Don Williams, Sr. was named Maywood's businessman of the year; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. acted as a political leader during his time as the second African American Mayor of Maywood; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. remained an active Maywood community member, as a member of the Maywood Rotary Club and the director of the 1st Suburban National Bank; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. was a strong spiritual leader in the community and an ordained minister and deacon at the Second Baptist Church in Maywood; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Williams, Sr. left a legacy of positive and enduring service to the Maywood community in every sphere.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners to honor the life of former Mayor Don Williams Sr. and the sincere condolences of the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners are extended to the family.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5015  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY,  
DENNIS DEER, 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 AND  
LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**CELEBRATING THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF OZINGA**

**WHEREAS**, Ozinga is currently celebrating their 90th Anniversary, a remarkable milestone for a Cook County, American-owned business; and

**WHEREAS**, Ozinga is based in Cook County and Chicago's Chinatown Neighborhood, originally established in Evergreen Park, Illinois in 1928 by Martin Ozinga Sr.; and

**WHEREAS**, Ozinga first started off as a small coal and coke yard and survived the Great Depression and World War II before becoming one of the first ready mix providers in the region; and

**WHEREAS**, for four (4) generations, Ozinga has continued to expand its products and build its reputation as a strategic partner by providing concrete, bulk materials, and energy solutions while offering transportation services through an extensive network of truck, rail, barge, and ship terminals; and

**WHEREAS**, Ozinga is widely recognized for its red and white striped concrete mixer trucks, which can be seen at various construction sites throughout Cook County and five other states; and

**WHEREAS**, Ozinga now employs more than 1,500 employees with locations in Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Michigan, and South Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, Ozinga has numerous locations throughout Cook County, with two (2) yard locations in the 16th District, one (1) in Summit, Illinois and the other in McCook, Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, Ozinga has a legacy of serving the areas where we live, work and play with the Ozinga Foundation; working together to build our families, our communities and our country.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby express our gratitude and congratulations to Ozinga in Celebration of its 90th Anniversary and extend our very best wishes for the future; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, a suitable copy of this Resolution be prepared and presented to Ozinga to demonstrate the County's support for their continued success.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-5030  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, 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 AND LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**CELEBRATING THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF MICHAEL LEWIS COMPANY**

**WHEREAS**, the Michael Lewis Company is currently celebrating their 90th Anniversary, a remarkable milestone for a Cook County business; and

**WHEREAS**, Leonard Simon founded the company, originally Simon Products, in 1928 after dropping out of high school to earn money to support his family; and

**WHEREAS**, Simon Products was originally located on Van Buren Street in the Printers Row area of downtown Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Lewis moved its World Headquarters to McCook, Illinois located in the 16th District of Cook County, with locations in seven (7) states and two (2) continents; and

**WHEREAS**, for four (4) generations, Michael Lewis has forged relationships with the world's leading airlines, through an extensive network of resources, such as transportation infrastructure and expanding e-commerce initiatives to better assist in managing airlines supplies; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Lewis's values of service, commitment, and integrity have helped create the framework for its extensive success in the industry.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby express our gratitude and congratulations to Michael Lewis in Celebration of its 90th Anniversary and extend our very best wishes for the future; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, a suitable copy of this Resolution be prepared and presented to Michael Lewis to demonstrate the County's support for their continued success.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5055  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,  
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, 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, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND  
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING DR. NNEKA JONES TAPIA FOR HER DEDICATED EFFORTS TO  
ASSIST SHERIFF THOMAS J. DART TO REFORM THE  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM AND ON THE OCCASION ON HER RETIREMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Nneka Jones Tapia was appointed by Sheriff Thomas J. Dart to the position of Executive Director of the Cook County Department of Corrections from May 2015 until her retirement in the spring of 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, under the direction of Sheriff Thomas J. Dart, Dr. Jones Tapia spent years improving and developing mental health strategies at the Cook County Jail, which is one of the largest mental health providers in the world; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jones Tapia developed a strategy to offer more services to detainees before they left the Jail, which has significantly slowed the revolving door of mentally ill individuals returning to the Jail; and

**WHEREAS**, after Sheriff Dart established the Mental Health Transition Center, Dr. Jones Tapia expanded and developed state of the art mental health programming for participating detainees and offered ongoing programming to formerly incarcerated individuals at the Transition Center as well as two (2) community centers; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jones Tapia assisted the Cook County Department of Corrections with overhauling the Jail's restrictive housing policy and instituted a number of initiatives aimed at improving working



conditions for correctional staff, making for a better work environment for what is an incredibly difficult job; and

**WHEREAS**, before joining the Sheriff's Office, Dr. Jones Tapia was the Chief Psychologist at Cermak Health Services, which provides the onsite medical mental health care for detainees at the Jail; and

**WHEREAS**, in that role, Dr. Jones Tapia developed important tools to help identify the mental health needs of incoming detainees; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jones Tapia has a decorated academic career, earning her bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, her master's degree in clinical psychology from East Carolina University, and her doctoral degree from the Virginia Consortium Program in clinical psychology; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2015, Dr. Jones Tapia was named one of Crain's Chicago Business 40 under 40, among many other distinctions and honors, and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jones Tapia served the citizens of Cook County for many years, and her legacy of improving the quality of the Cook County Jail will continue to make crucial criminal justice reform efforts a reality, benefitting all of Cook County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that Dr. Nneka Jones Tapia is honored for her contributions to the Cook County Sheriff's Office and all of Cook County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and that a suitable copy be tendered to Dr. Nneka Jones Tapia to memorialize this occasion.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5065  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, LUIS ARROYO JR,  
RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER,**

**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,  
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF WILSON FROST**

**WHEREAS**, Wilson Frost was born on December 27, 1925 to General Frost and Freddie Bonds in Cairo, Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilson attended Phillips Academy High School in Chicago and earned his bachelor's degree from Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee; and

**WHEREAS**, he returned to Chicago to attend the Chicago-Kent College of Law, receiving his Juris Doctor in 1958; and

**WHEREAS**, after earning his law degree, Wilson joined the firm Frost, Sherard, Howse and Coleman, where he continued on as a partner until 1973; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1973, Wilson formed Meyer & Frost, later Frost and Greenblatt, where he remained until his retirement in 1998; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilson became involved in politics and won the aldermanic election representing the 21st Ward in 1967 and the 34th Ward in 1971; and

**WHEREAS**, in December 1976, Wilson was named Chairman of the Finance Committee for the City of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilson's dedication to public service did not end at the City of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilson went on to be Commissioner of the Cook County Board of Tax Appeals; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilson retired as a Commissioner in 1998; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilson was a Cook County resident who selflessly served the public and relentlessly worked to improve the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilson was also a great mentor and was kindly known as "The Godfather"; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilson Frost passed away on May 5, 2018 in Palm Desert, California; and

**WHEREAS**, he is survived by his wife Myra Everett, daughters Jacqueline Baldrige, Myrna Everett, and Renee Everett, great grandchildren Michael Baldrige, Justin Baldrige and Austin Pegram, and his sister Geneva Harris.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Wilson Frost and honor the life and memory of this outstanding Cook County resident and long-time public servant.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5153  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE AND  
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF KAREN LEWIS  
AS PRESIDENT OF THE CHICAGO TEACHERS UNION**

**WHEREAS**, it has come to the attention of the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Karen Lewis is retiring as the President of the Chicago Teachers Union; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Lewis was born and raised in Chicago and attended Chicago's Kaminski Elementary School and Kenwood High School; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Lewis received a Bachelor of Arts degree in sociology and music from Dartmouth College; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Lewis worked as a high school chemistry teacher for 22 years at Chicago's Sullivan High School, Lane Tech High School and King College Prep, following in the footsteps of her parents who were both teachers; and

**WHEREAS**, in the 1990's Karen Lewis also became a member of the Chicago Teacher's Union and in the late 2000's she became active in a group called the Caucus of Rank-and File Educators (CORE) who fought to give teachers a voice in shaping the direction of local schools; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2010, Karen Lewis was elected President of the Chicago Teachers Union and was re- was re-elected President in 2013 and 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Lewis serves as a Vice President of the 1.7 million member American Federation of Teachers and was elected Executive Vice President of the 100,000 member Illinois Federation of Teachers; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Lewis has received numerous awards and recognitions for her work on behalf of education equity and her devotion to local students including a Doctorate of Humane Letters from the National Labor College and from her Alma Mater Mt. Holyoke College; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Lewis has fought tirelessly to foster excellence in the teaching and learning experiences of Chicago students and has been instrumental in elevating the Chicago Teachers Union into an influential organization that plays a positive role in the education of students on the local and national level.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby extend its warmest wishes and congratulations to Karen Lewis on the occasion of her retirement, and join all who have had the pleasure of her friendship in wishing her still more years of good health and richly deserved happiness, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and an official copy of same be presented to Karen Lewis to commemorate this joyous occasion.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5460  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, JESÚS G. GARCÍA,  
PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE, LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,  
JERRY BUTLER, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET GAINER, GREGG GOSLIN,  
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TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS,  
LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**MIRIAM D BALANOFF, IN MEMORIAM**

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

**WHEREAS**, Miriam Balanoff was the loving wife of Clem Balanoff; and

**WHEREAS**, Miriam Balanoff was the devoted mother of Clem Jr (Jan Kralovec), Jane (Jean Emond) and Bob (Felice Batlan); and

**WHEREAS**, Miriam Balanoff was the dear grandmother of nine grandchildren Bob Jr, Dan, Anne (Yoichiro), Marc (Elizabeth), Clement III, Miya (Adam) Monica, Daniel and Asa; and

**WHEREAS**, Miriam Balanoff was the loving great grandmother of Felix; and

**WHEREAS**, Miriam Balanoff moved to Chicago in the 1950's and graduated from the University of Chicago Law School; and

**WHEREAS**, Miriam Balanoff was elected to the Illinois House of Representatives in 1978 where she offered legislation to protect workers, especially those whose jobs were lost in plant closings; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1986, Miriam Balanoff was elected Judge to the Circuit Court of Cook County where she served for 14 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Miriam Balanoff was a lifelong advocate from woman's rights, human rights, civil rights, LGBTQ and workers' rights; and

**WHEREAS**, Miriam Balanoff remained active throughout her life in politics and political campaigns; and

**WHEREAS**, Miriam Balanoff touched the lives of many and will be remembered by all who knew her; and

**WHEREAS**, all who knew her will attest that Miriam Balanoff 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.

**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 Miriam Balanoff 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 Miriam Balanoff so that her memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5552  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE EDWARD M. MOODY, COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

**HONORING FRANK T. LIBBY ON HIS RETIREMENT**

**WHEREAS**, President and Executive-Secretary Frank Libby announced his retirement effective June 1, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Libby gave 42 years of service as a proud member and champion for the brothers and sisters of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters. As a member of Local 10, Mr. Libby provided leadership to his local for 38 years during which time he served as warden, recording secretary, business representative and financial secretary-treasurer. He also served as the local's president for 24 years ending June 30, 2018, fulfilling his term; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2008 Mr. Libby became the 24th president/executive secretary-treasurer of the Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters, which represents members in 72 counties throughout Illinois and Eastern Iowa; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Libby also served on the Illinois State Council of Carpenters' executive board and as a past board member to the Chicago Convention and Tourism Bureau; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2010, the Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters' Labor and Management Committee launched Emmy-nominated Built to Last®, an educational vehicle for sustainable construction, product innovations, energy-efficient techniques and skilled craftsmanship with five seasons now produced under the direction of Mr. Libby and the Carpenters' Labor and Management Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2011, Frank Libby spearheaded a successful challenge to the state legislature's attempt to adopt work rules at McCormick Place and the challenge resulted in not only reaffirming Chicago as the preeminent trade show destination in the country but in a dramatic increase in revenue for the city, local businesses and the state of Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Libby intends to remain active in the community and as a member of the board of directors for both a major Chicago financial institution and a national health care insurance provider. Mr. Libby welcomes the opportunity to spend time with his family including wife Gail and daughter Cynthia.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby recognize and honor Frank T. Libby on an incredible career and achievements and wish him the best in his future endeavors; and

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

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5565  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,  
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,  
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PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND  
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**A RESOLUTION HONORING MS. DOROTHY CLARK-SMITH  
ON THE OCCASION OF HER 70TH BIRTHDAY**

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Dorothy Clark-Smith was born August 2, 1948 in Canalou, Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Clark-Smith has lived a life of hard work from picking cotton and soy beans to working as an educator; and

**WHEREAS**, 50 years ago, Ms. Clark-Smith was married and she raised three (3) children and now enjoys spending time with her two (2) grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Clark-Smith is a dedicated member of Emmaus Lutheran Church, where she founded the Youth ministry, is a member of the Adult Choir, directs the Sunday School Choir, and was Secretary and President of the Ladies Guild; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Clark-Smith graduated from Northeastern University with her Bachelor's Degree after spending 22 years taking care of her family and later achieved two Master's Degrees; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Clark-Smith worked more than 40 years as an educator in Proviso Township and Chicago Public Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, for the last 13 years, Ms. Clark-Smith has served on the Bellwood Library Board and currently serves as its President; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Clark-Smith also serves on the Bellwood School District's Board of Education, currently as Secretary; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Clark-Smith combines her passion for education and community as the Liaison for the Proviso Area for Exceptional Children's Secretary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Bellwood and all of the County's First District have long benefited from Ms. Clark-Smith's dedication to her community, and she is wished the happiest of birthdays.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that Ms. Clark-Smith is thanked for her service to her community and honored on the occasion of her 70th Birthday.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5566  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,  
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,  
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PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND  
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**



**A RESOLUTION HONORING JOHN MAYES FOR HIS DECADES OF WORK  
IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE AND ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT**

**WHEREAS**, John Mayes began his career in behavioral care at Thresholds in 1984, where he worked for more than 20 years; and

**WHEREAS**, in that role, John was a leader in expanding supported housing and outreach services to the South and West sides of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, for the last 12 years, John has led Trilogy, which he has transformed into one of Chicago's largest and most dynamic behavioral health service providers; and

**WHEREAS**, Trilogy was once a small organization that provided services mostly to the northeast side of Chicago, but John has expanded its role in the city by offering services across the south and west sides; and

**WHEREAS**, beyond clinical care, John has been a major advocate for helping people with disabilities find work; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 500 individuals with mental illness have moved out of nursing homes and into independent living with John's assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, John is a licensed clinical social worker who holds a Master's degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago and is a past president of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Greater Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, John has dedicated his life to the idea that people with serious mental illness can and do recover if given the treatment they need and deserve.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners that John Mayes is honored and thanked for his leadership and dedication to advancing the needs of mentally ill individuals, which benefits every resident of Cook County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that John Mayes is congratulated on the occasion of his retirement.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5567  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, 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, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND  
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**A RESOLUTION HONORING JERRY REINSDORF FOR HIS EFFORTS  
TO FIGHT GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO**

**WHEREAS**, Jerry Reinsdorf is the chairman of the Chicago White Sox and the Chicago Bulls; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Reinsdorf purchased the White Sox in 1981 and the Bulls in 1985, etching him a permanent place in Chicago sports history; and

**WHEREAS**, since that time, Mr. Reinsdorf has worked to not only build championship teams but to improve the quality of life for Chicagoans who are struggling; and

**WHEREAS**, for the last four (4) years, Mr. Reinsdorf has sponsored a Community Unity Day at the White Sox Park in conjunction with the County Board's First District, which has served as a fun, relaxing way for families who have been the victims of gun violence to come together and enjoy a baseball game; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Reinsdorf has also worked to combine efforts with the Chicago Bears, Chicago Cubs, Chicago Blackhawks, Chicago White Sox and the Chicago Bulls to fight Chicago's gun violence issue, which resulted in \$1 million being donated to three organizations: the youth therapy program Choose 2 Change, analyst training for technology centers in Chicago police stations, and the University of Chicago Crime Lab; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Reinsdorf through the Chicago White Sox and Chicago Bulls has consistently supported organizations seeking to improve the lives of disadvantaged youth in Cook County. Some of the organizations supported include: Becoming A Man (BAM), The READI program, and KaBoom which builds playgrounds, basketball courts and baseball fields; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Reinsdorf has a long history of fighting to improve the quality of life for children in Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Reinsdorf has worked tirelessly to build two of Chicago's sports teams as well as the communities they represent for many years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that Mr. Jerry Reinsdorf is honored for his dedication to all of Cook County and commended for his diligent efforts to improve the quality of life of Cook County residents through his leadership and philanthropy.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5568  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, 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, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND  
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING TOM SKILLING ON HIS 40TH ANNIVERSARY AT WGN**

**WHEREAS**, Tom Skilling is the chief meteorologist for Chicago's Very Own WGN-TV; and

**WHEREAS**, Tom recently celebrated his 40th anniversary at WGN reporting on the weather and making sure all of Chicago was prepared for what it would bring; and

**WHEREAS**, Tom started his career on the radio while he attended high school in Aurora before enrolling at the University of Wisconsin-Madison; and

**WHEREAS**, after college, Tom was a meteorologist at WITI in Milwaukee; and

**WHEREAS**, by 1978, Tom returned to Chicago and began working at WGN; and

**WHEREAS**, since that time, Tom has risen to become one of the most preeminent meteorologists in Chicago and the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, Tom was the Illinois Broadcasters Association's 2018 broadcaster pioneer, recognizing his 40-year career in Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, Tom has not only reported on weather impacting Chicago for four decades, but he has used his platform to educate his viewers on weather safety ranging from tornadoes to heat waves to polar vortexes; and

**WHEREAS**, Tom has also dedicated much of his time to discussing climate change and the effects it will continue to have on Chicago and the entire world; and

**WHEREAS**, each evening, scores of Cook County residents rely on Tom's reporting to know what the weather holds in store for them, as they've done for more than four (4) decades.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners that WGN-TV's Chief Meteorologist Tom Skilling is honored for his more than 40 years of service to the people of Cook County and thanked for his continued work and dedication to the meteorological field.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5792  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE DENNIS DEER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

**HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 121ST ANNIVERSARY**

**WHEREAS**, on Sunday, August 25, 2018, Hope Presbyterian Church will celebrate its 121st Anniversary; and

**WHEREAS**, Hope Presbyterian was organized in 1897 under the direction of Reverend I.W. Nicholson and a few members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church who moved from Bowling Green, Kentucky to Chicago and settled in the West Englewood community who felt that Presbyterian witness should be organized in this area; and

**WHEREAS**, the first installed Pastor was the Reverend George Washington Camp in 1909 and with hard work and various fundraisers, the members were able to purchase lots at 61st Street and Loomis Boulevard. Ground was broken for the present edifice in 1911 and the building was completed in 1913. The members actually built the church; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1911, the congregation called the Reverend C. Lee Jefferson and moved in the present building with the financial assistance of the Presbytery. Through World Wars I and II and the Great Depression, Hope Church continued to grow and develop; and

**WHEREAS**, in early 1941, the church called the Reverend Herbert W. Jones who's long and successful tenure ended in June of 1980. Under his leadership, the church began to show new life and growth. Tragedy struck in November 1967 when the Sanctuary was severely burned, but the congregation was determined to rebuild and refurbish the Sanctuary in one year. With the great desire to progress, the congregation also erected the beautiful, multipurpose Christian Education Center at the cost of \$250,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, in February 1986, Reverend Dr. Floyd N. Rhodes recommended the Reverend Leslie Sanders to Hope Church. In March 1987, Reverend Sanders was installed as Pastor and brought a dynamic style of preaching, a unique leadership ability, and an abundance of energy and enthusiasm. Under his leadership the church is experiencing rapid growth spiritually, numerically and financially; and

**WHEREAS**, under the leadership of Pastor Sanders, Hope Presbyterian has organized the Voices of Hope and Angelic Choirs, reinstated the Usher Board and responsible for the development of various ministries including: Lincoln/Hope Day care program, the 50 Plus senior's group; young peoples' summer work and tutoring programs in conjunction with ComEd and the office of the Mayor, established a Saturday Feeding Program which serves hot and nutritious meals to indigent individuals in the Englewood Community; and

**WHEREAS**, Hope Presbyterian Church is a true beacon of hope for the Englewood community it has served for 121 years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that President Toni Preckwinkle and Cook County Board of Commissioners, and on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County do hereby congratulate Pastor Leslie Sanders and Hope Presbyterian Church on the occasion of its 121st Anniversary and for the important and commendable service and leadership it provides to its congregation and surrounding community; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and a ceremonial copy be given to Pastor Leslie Sanders in commemoration of this auspicious occasion.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution**

be approved. The motion carried.

**18-5799  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE DENNIS DEER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

**HONORING THE CALAHAN FOUNDATION**

**WHEREAS**, on Saturday, August 25, 2018, the Calahan Foundation celebrated its 4th Annual House 5K Run Walk Ride for Scholarships at Jackson park; and

**WHEREAS**, the Calahan Foundation was birthed by the vision of Edric Calahan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward and Shirley Calahan of Calahan Funeral Home to create ways of “Giving a Hand Out to Give a Hand up” with a mission to be flexible to meet the deep needs of humanity; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2009, this vision became a reality as the Calahan Foundation became a 501(c)(3) not for profit organization. To date, they have provided more than 5,000 families living in shelters with warm coats for the winter along with over 10,000 new toys to their children for the holidays; and

**WHEREAS**, the Calahan Foundation currently provides scholarships to 16 college students who have demonstrated excellence in education and a financial need. Each recipient is awarded a \$5000.00 scholarship over a four (4) year period; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2015, the Calahan Foundation established a mentor program, which is identified as the “Calahan League of College Scholars “(CLoCS). Each year, four (4) new scholars are inducted into the “CLoCS” program and is provided with strategies for success to persist to graduation and beyond; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2016, the Calahan Foundation solicited help from all across the City of Chicago after the daughter Valerie Calahan-Taylor heard about the devastation caused by Hurricane Harvey supplying over 130,000 pounds of supplies, over 3,000 cases of water and monetary donations totaling \$10,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Calahan Foundation is a true beacon of hope for the Englewood community it has served for over years and believes that while no one person can do everything, each of us can do something.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that President Toni Preckwinkle and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, and on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County do hereby congratulate the Calahan Foundation for the important and commendable service and leadership it provides to the community; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and a ceremonial copy be given to The Calahan Foundation in commemoration of this auspicious occasion.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5800  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE LARRY SUFFREDIN, LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,  
JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,  
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,  
STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS AND  
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**REMEMBERING KAREN CLARK-CHIVERS**

**WHEREAS**, longtime District Director of Cook County Commissioner Larry Suffredin and beloved community leader Karen Clark-Chivers died on August 23, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Clark-Chivers was born January 26, 1949 in New Orleans, Louisiana to Harold and Thyra Clark; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Clark-Chivers attended Saint Elizabeth High School, London Line College and Olive Harvey College; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2002, Karen Clark-Chivers served as the District Director for Cook County Commissioner Larry Suffredin. She was also his treasured friend and trusted advisor; and

**WHEREAS**, as District Director, Karen Clark-Chivers tirelessly helped thousands of residents of the Thirteenth District navigate Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Clark-Chivers organized a property tax assessment appeal program, where she helped homeowners lower their property tax assessments. She helped seniors, the disabled and veterans to receive all of their exemptions, lowering their tax bills or making them eligible for a refund; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Clark-Chavers was the Treasurer of the Housing Authority of Cook County, where she worked to ensure that everyone, regardless of their income, had a safe, affordable place to live; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Clark-Chavers was proud to have been a community organizer. She considered it to be the defining training of her career and it influenced her worldview and professional life. She was the founder and director of the Evanston Neighborhood Conference, a network of neighborhood groups across the City that worked to improve Evanston. When Southeast Evanston was struck by bursts of violence, Karen was on the front line. She built relationships with everyone. Longtime residents, newcomers, the elderly, the youth, law abiding and those outside of the law. She knocked countless doors, held numerous community meetings and fought to keep the peace. She brought in programming and services for the local kids, giving them an outlet for their anger. She also forced the City to rebuild local parks, so the residents felt that their needs were being met today; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Clark-Chavers was a leader with Open Communities, where she helped organize North Suburban Housing Partners, a housing coalition of about two dozen organizations working to put a face on housing issues on the North Shore. She also worked with Turnstone Development, an organization that developed over 1,300 affordable housing units for families and seniors; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Clark-Chavers co-founded the Shorefront Legacy Center, an organization that collects, preserves and educates people about black history on the North Shore; and

**WHEREAS**, even though she lived in Evanston, New Orleans was her spiritual home. Karen Clark-Chavers loved that city its culture and idiosyncrasies, and frequently returned to visit family and to maintain her ties; and

**WHEREAS**, the community has lost a great friend in Karen Clark-Chavers and she will be sorely missed. Karen is mourned by her mother Thyra Clark and family including her grandchildren, Ariana, Marcel, Jaden, Amaya, She was predeceased by her father, Harold Clark Sr.

**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 of Karen Clark-Chavers, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable and innumerable contributions she has made to 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 the family of Karen Clark-Chavers.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution**



be approved. The motion carried.

**18-5834  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER,  
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,  
JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE,  
SEAN M. MORRISON, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER,  
PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND  
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**COMMEMORATING THE 17TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11TH**

**WHEREAS**, on this day at 8:46 a.m. in September of 2001, hijacked American Airlines Flight 11 crashed into the upper portion of the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York City, New York; and

**WHEREAS**, 17 minutes later, at 9:03 a.m., hijacked United Airlines Flight 175 crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center; and

**WHEREAS**, at 9:37 a.m., the west wall of the Pentagon was hit by hijacked American Airlines Flight 77, the impact of which caused immediate and catastrophic damage to the headquarters of the Department of Defense; and

**WHEREAS**, at approximately 10 a.m., the passengers and crew of hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 acted heroically to retake control of the airplane and thwart the taking of additional American lives by crashing the airliner in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and, in doing so, gave their lives to save countless others; and

**WHEREAS**, nearly 3,000 innocent civilians were killed in the heinous attacks of September 11, 2001; and

**WHEREAS**, tens of thousands of individuals narrowly escaped the attacks at the Pentagon and World Trade Center and, as witnesses to this tragedy, are forever changed; and

**WHEREAS**, countless fire departments, police departments, first responders, government officials, workers, emergency medical personnel, and volunteers responded immediately and heroically to those horrific events; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Department of New York suffered 343 fatalities, the Port Authority Police Department suffered 37 fatalities, and the New York Police Department suffered 23 fatalities as a result of the terrorist attacks; and

**WHEREAS**, the impact of that day on public health continues through 2018, as nearly 90,000 people are at risk of or suffering from negative health effects as a result of the events of September 11, 2001, including 14,000 workers and 2,400 community residents who are sick, and tens of thousands of others whose health is being monitored; and

**WHEREAS**, 17 years later, the people of the United States and people around the world continue to mourn the tremendous loss of innocent life on that fateful day; and

**WHEREAS**, 17 years later, thousands of men and women in the United States Armed Forces remain in harm's way defending the United States against those who seek to threaten the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, on the 17th anniversary of this tragic day, the thoughts of the people of the United States are with all of the victims of the events of September 11, 2001 and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2009, Congress and the President joined together to designate September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance under the Serve America Act (Public Law 111-13; 123 Stat. 1460); and

**WHEREAS**, September 11th will never, and should never, be just another day in the hearts and minds of all people of the United States.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board President and Cook County Board of Commissioners offers its deepest and most sincere condolences to the families, friends, and loved ones of the innocent victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners honors the heroic service, actions, and sacrifices of first responders, law enforcement personnel, State and local officials, volunteers, and countless others who aided the innocent victims of those attacks and, in doing so, bravely risked and often gave their own lives; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board recognizes the valiant service, actions, and sacrifices of United States personnel, including members of the United States Armed Forces, the United States intelligence agencies, the United States diplomatic service, homeland security and law enforcement personnel, and their families, who have given so much, including their lives and well-being, to support the cause of freedom and defend the security of the United States; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board reaffirms that the people of the United States will never forget the challenges our country endured on and since September 11, 2001, and will work tirelessly to defeat those who attacked the United States.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-5836  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING ANTI-SLAVERY INTERNATIONAL AND S.O.S. ESCLAVES**

**WHEREAS**, Chicago's Abolition Institute works to fight modern day slavery in partnership with two (2) inspiring organizations; Anti-Slavery International based in the United Kingdom and S.O.S. Esclaves based in Mauritania; and

**WHEREAS**, Anti-Slavery International is the world's oldest international human rights organization, having led the successful effort to abolish slavery throughout the British Empire nearly 200 years ago and still fighting modern slavery today; and

**WHEREAS**, in Mauritania, race and descent-based slavery is still widespread and enslaved people face abuses similar to those experienced by slaves in our own country prior to the Civil War; and

**WHEREAS**, Boubacar Messaoud, founder of S.O.S. Esclaves, and Karine Penrose-Theis and Jennifer Castello of Anti-Slavery International, are visiting Chicago this week as guests of the Abolition Institute to jointly raise awareness of the scourge of modern slavery; and

**WHEREAS**, leaders from all three groups draw inspiration from abolitionists from Illinois who risked their lives to fight slavery and made our state known throughout the world as a beacon of freedom and as the Land of Lincoln; and

**WHEREAS**, for decades, S.O.S. Esclaves' members have stood up against intense persecution and violence to fight for the rights of all Mauritians to be free from slavery; and

**WHEREAS**, this work is more important now than ever before because an estimated 40 million people are still enslaved in the world today.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby honors and congratulates S.O.S. Esclaves and its founder Boubacar Messaoud, and Karine Penrose-Theis and Jennifer Castello of Anti-Slavery International, for their continued work for human rights and the abolition of modern slavery; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners will work with the Abolition Institute, Anti-Slavery International and S.O.S. Esclaves to ensure that our county and state

remain beacons of hope in the global fight against slavery and human trafficking, so honoring the true spirit of the Land of Lincoln.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5844  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by  
THE HONORABLE STANLEY MOORE, COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

**HONORING AND CELEBRATING THE CONSECRATION OF  
BISHOP ELECT - RENALDO KYLES**

**WHEREAS**, at the early age of seven despite many complaints from worshipers, Bishop Elect Renaldo Kyles sat in the pulpit every Sunday at Centennial Missionary Baptist Church with his pastor (the late) Dr. William Hudson; and

**WHEREAS**, Bishop Elect Renaldo Kyles grew up in Chicago, Illinois and graduated from Simeon High School in 1990; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 3, 1993, God put Bishop Elect Renaldo Kyles back in the pulpit and from that day, he has been preaching and teaching the word of God; and

**WHEREAS**, Bishop Elect Kyles is a family man and has been married to the beautiful LaKesha Kyles for 11 years and to this union they have a daughter Kayla Kyles; and

**WHEREAS**, Bishop Elect Kyles personal philosophy is "If I can help someone along the way then my living would not be in vain"; and

**WHEREAS**, Bishop Elect Kyles is a leader that is widely respected and revered for his big generous heart, leadership, vision, dedication to teaching God's children, and his holistic approach to social changes in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, in April 2005, through Bishop Elect Renaldo Kyles innovative teaching style and special ability to cultivate a nurturing learning environment, he became the Director of Faith Base Initiatives for the Chicago Public Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, in December 2009, Bishop Elect started and developed the Safe Haven program in which the Chicago Public Schools partnered with the faith community to provide a Safe Haven for students during the breaks. The program started with 30 churches and has grown to over 100 churches citywide; and

**WHEREAS**, in August 2014, God ordained the idea for Kingdom Builders Church (KBC) and on September 21, 2014, KBC was born under the guidance, leadership, and vision of Pastor Kyles. It was at that inaugural service where Pastor Kyles shared the vision that was given to him by God “The Recipe of an Effective Church.”; and

**WHEREAS**, in October 2016, Bishop Elect Kyles through his proven demonstrated success as Director of Faith Base Initiative for Chicago Public Schools, and his many years of service as a community activist started his own consulting company called Bridging the Gap.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners congratulates, and recognize the consecration of Bishop Renaldo Kyles; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution is spread upon the permanent record of Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, and that a suitable copy of this Resolution will be prepared and presented to Bishop Renaldo Kyles.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5848  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING THE CHILDREN WHOSE LIVES WERE LOST IN A TRAGIC FIRE  
IN CHICAGO’S LITTLE VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD**

**WHEREAS**, around 4 a.m. on August 26, 2018, a devastating fire engulfed a building in Chicago’s Little Village neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, a tragic loss of life occurred that day as ten children were the fatal victims of this fire; and

**WHEREAS**, the children - Amayah Lenora Almaraz, 3 months; Alanni Juanita Ayala, 3; Gialanni Angela Ayala, 5; Ariel Rose Garcia, 5; Giovanni Christopher Ayala, 10; Xavier Isiah Contreras, 11; Nathan Guadalupe Contreras, 13; Adrian Hernandez, 14; Cesar Louis Contreras, 14; and Victor F. Mendoza, 16 - were family and friends; and

**WHEREAS**, there has been a tremendous amount of support for the families of the children by people across Cook County and the rest of the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, we honor the service and actions of first responders, law enforcement personnel, volunteers, and countless others who have assisted the families of the victims.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, do hereby honor the beloved children who lost their lives in this tragic fire; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, do extend their deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of the children.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5835  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE,  
PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF DESIREE LYNN TATE**

**WHEREAS**, Desiree Lynn Tate was born on May 8, 1956 in Chicago, Illinois to Bertha and Oscar Tate; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree was the sixth child and only daughter of Bertha and Oscar Tate, who, before their treasured daughter was born, had had five (5) sons: Bob, Raynard, Pete, Freddie and Greg Tate; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree was born and raised in the Washington Park community and was a proud graduate of Lindblom Math and Science Academy; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree went on to graduate from Indiana University and earn a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from DePaul University; and

**WHEREAS**, while Desiree began her career in the corporate world, she was soon drawn to the social and political issues of the time, namely the representation and empowerment of Chicago's African American community; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1982, she volunteered on Congressman Harold Washington's historic mayoral campaign and, determined, dove into critical community work, one that would see Harold Washington victorious on April 12, 1983; and

**WHEREAS**, she was one of a select few volunteers that Mayor Washington would bring along to City Hall, where she held posts in special events and scheduling all while expecting her first and only child, Ashley Tate, born in September of 1983; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree worked diligently for the late Mayor Washington at the Democratic National Convention (DNC) in San Francisco in support of the Reverend Jesse Jackson's presidential bid; and

**WHEREAS**, during the convention she made Harold Washington's Community Development program a center part of the DNC platform by brilliantly bringing together competing interests; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2008, Desiree was a relentless volunteer for Barack Obama's presidential campaign and rejoiced in his historic victory and re-election in 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, she also worked as a senior advisor to UNITED STATES Senator Carol Moseley Braun, served as counselor to Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel, and most important, continuously mentored the next generation of young bright minds to become powerful leaders in their own right; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree worked tirelessly for education, the desegregation of public schools, and school improvement initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, she inspired thousands of parents to get involved in their children's education through her Power of Parents initiative, for which she organized conferences and mentored parents; and

**WHEREAS**, she was actively engaged with Rainbow PUSH, the Chicago Urban League, the Woodlawn Organization, and Breakthrough Urban Ministries; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree was an extraordinary businesswoman, civic leader, dedicated friend, and a Cook County resident who selflessly made extraordinary contributions to improve the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree Lynn Tate passed away on May 28, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, she is survived by her beloved daughter Ashley, numerous family members, godchildren, friends and colleagues.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Desiree Lynn Tate and honor the life and memory of this outstanding Cook County resident.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5831  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE BRIDGET GAINER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

**HONORING EAST LAKE VIEW NEIGHBORS AND THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF ITS OKTOBERFEST CELEBRATION**

**WHEREAS**, East Lake View Neighbors' is a community organization whose mission is to improve the quality of life in the neighborhood through active citizenship, fostering a sense of community and charitable works; and

**WHEREAS**, East Lake View Neighbors' boundaries stretch from Addison Street north to Irving Park, and from Clark Street east to Lake Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, East Lake View Neighbors meets monthly to discuss community happenings, including new business openings, public safety, volunteer opportunities and more; and

**WHEREAS**, 13 residents comprise of East Lake View Neighbors' Board of Directors, who are pulled from a cross-section of the community, including residents, business owners, and employees; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 23, 2018, East Lake View Neighbors will host its 20th annual 'Oktoberfest' celebration; and



**WHEREAS**, roughly 300 neighbors attend the annual event at Murphy's Bleachers on 3655 North Sheffield Avenue, and the event raises money for the local community; and

**WHEREAS**, for \$30.00, attendees enjoy Oktoberfest beer, wine, and sodas, a pig roast, grilled chicken, grilled vegetables and brats, German potato salad and dessert as well as the chance to win many prizes at the silent auction; and

**WHEREAS**, auction items in a number of price ranges are available, with past items including sports, concert and theater tickets, rooftop baseball game passes, autographed sports memorabilia, spa services, museum tours, boat cruises, restaurant and pet care gift certificates, jewelry, and many more.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby honors East Lake View Neighbors for its continuous work to improve the lives of East Lake View residents and wishes the organization a successful 20th annual Oktoberfest celebration. Prost!

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**18-5833  
RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by**

**THE HONORABLE DENNIS DEER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

**HONORING COACH ROBERT "RAHIM" BISBEE  
13TH ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL AND BASKETBALL CLINIC**

**WHEREAS**, on Saturday August 11, 2018 Coach Robert "Rahim" Bisbee hosted the 13th Annual Moran Park Back to School and Basketball Clinic which has served over 5,000 youth to date; and

**WHEREAS**, Coach Bisbee was raised on 57th and Aberdeen and his love for the Englewood community has allowed him to work with young people on and off the basketball court across the City of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Coach Bisbee attended Tilden High School and is a former member of the Illinois Army National Guard; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Bisbee has been employed by the Chicago Park District for 22 years and is an active union steward with SEIU Local 73 where he currently serves as Park Supervisor at Homan Square in the North Lawndale community; and

**WHEREAS**, Coach Bisbee is a champion, leader and mentor to youth from the Englewood community and Chicago at large.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that President Toni Preckwinkle and Cook County Board of Commissioners, and on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County do hereby congratulate Coach Robert "Rahim" Bisbee on the occasion of its 13th Anniversary and for the important and commendable service and leadership it provides to youth and young adults; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and a ceremonial copy be given to Coach Robert Bisbee in commemoration of this auspicious occasion.

Approved and adopted this 11th of September 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the Resolution be approved. The motion carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that the meeting do now adjourn to meet again at the same time and same place on October 16, 2018, in accordance with County Board Resolution 18-0624.**

**The motion prevailed and the meeting stood adjourned.**

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