



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE OF LEN HOLLAND

Whereas, Len Holland was born on August 18, 1923, in Belzoni, Mississippi, to Oscar and Lottie Holland; and

Whereas, after completing grammar school he moved to Chicago in 1950, where he was able to complete his education and receive his certification in heating and air conditioning repair from Coyne Institute; and

Whereas, after spending several years working throughout the Chicagoland area, he was able to open Holland Heating & Air Conditioning/Welding in 1961; and

Whereas, Mr. Holland was able to receive a contract from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to convert 50 buildings on the West Side of Chicago from oil to gas in the 1970s and 1980s; and

Whereas, he decided to open a second business in 1984 when he owned and operated Holland's Corner Grocery Store at the corner of 83rd and Carpenter in Chicago; and

Whereas, he sold his grocery store after 25 years of working in his community; and

Whereas, he trained five of his sons to continue operating his heating and air conditioning business until his passing; and

Whereas, Len Holland was the proud and loving father of 19 living children; and

Whereas, after a lengthy illness, he departed this life on May 14, 2016; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Cook County shall recognize and honor Mr. Len Holland; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Len Holland.