



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION HONORING MASTER KWAN PIL KIM

WHEREAS, Kwan Pil Kim was born in Seoul, Korea, the eldest of three children, a student of the martial arts for most of his life, showing early signs of the devotion, passion and desire for mastery of the Korean art known as Taekwondo; and

WHEREAS, at the tender age of 7, a young Kim began studying Taekwondo at the Hwarang Taekwondo School in his native country; and

WHEREAS, by age 11, while in the 5th grade, Kwan Pil Kim's skill and competency level began to distinguish him among his peers as he displayed the kind of promise and prowess that might someday help him become a national champion; and

WHEREAS, while Kwan Pil Kim attended Jayang Middle School he was on the elite sparring team, and in Son Gok High School, he competed on the elite sparring team in the flyweight division; and

WHEREAS, as a student at Myung Gi University, Kwan Pil Kim enrolled in the Master's program to train to become a Martial Arts Master. There he competed on the university's sparring team; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, as a flyweight, Kim captured a national championship in sparring, placing second at the Tokyo International Championship; and

WHEREAS, currently, as 6th degree black belt, he is Grand Master of Woori Martial Arts Academy and continues to share his skill and passion for Taekwondo-not simply as a form of self-defense and self-discipline, but as a way of life; and

WHEREAS, Kwan Pil Kim is a son, father, teacher, student, friend, mentor and comrade, no greater life's lesson does he give his students than the one by which he walks as an example; Humility; and

WHEREAS, with the heart of a champion, one who possesses the fire, temperance and the often breath-taking, even gravity-defying skill and technique of a world-class martial artist, he is the incomparable Master Kwan Pil Kim.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby recognize Grand Master Kwan Pil Kim of Woori Taekwondo Martial Arts Academy for his hard work and dedication to the adults and children that he interact with daily; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and a suitable copy be presented to Grand Master Kwan Pil Kim.