



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

#### RECOGNIZING APOSTLE RESHORNA M. FITZPATRICK FOR OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE IN THE NORTH LAWDALE COMMUNITY

**WHEREAS**, Apostle Reshorna M. Fitzpatrick is the founder and Pastor of Proceeding Word Church, alongside her husband Senior Pastor Bishop Derrick M. Fitzpatrick. Apostle Fitzpatrick also serves as the Executive Pastor of the Historic Stone Temple Church, located in North Lawndale.; and

**WHEREAS**, Apostle Fitzpatrick was commissioned by God to organize Proceeding Word Church in 1999. Proceeding Word Church is a non-denominational body of believers who are called by God, redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to spread the Gospel Message to all nations. The messages delivered by Pastor Fitzpatrick are God-inspired, scripturally sound and designed to produce an overflow of "Love Without Conditions," which transcends beyond social, economic, spiritual and cultural barriers, and results in the transformation of hearts, minds and souls; and

**WHEREAS**, shortly after the global pandemic was issued, staying at home was not an option for Apostle Fitzpatrick. She was lovingly drafted by God and willingly embraced the title of essential worker. People were in dire need and Apostle Reshorna Fitzpatrick reported for duty; and

**WHEREAS**, As an essential worker, she began during her part to fight this invisible enemy by recruiting members from Stone Temple Nation and hosting a daily prayer call, specifically praying for those infected by the virus, sharing medical updates and guidelines issued by medical professionals and scientists to help prevent the spread of Covid-19; and

**WHEREAS**, To further her "Christian" essential worker duties, she joined forces with North Lawndale Coordinating Council (NLCCC), UCAN, Urban Growers Collective, YMEN, Firehouse Community Arts Center, Chicago Sinai Congregation and My Block, My Hood, My City and began to distributing ,food, PPE, toiletries, personal hygiene items and more prayer; and

**WHEREAS**, Apostle Fitzpatrick is "honored and humbled to be her "Brother's/Sisters Keeper." She is thankful that God is faithful and is confident that God will continue to bless the earth He created and His creation. God has blessed The Historic Stone Temple Church where they love being of service to the families in the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that President Toni Preckwinkle, the Cook County Board of Commissioners and on behalf of the over five million residents of Cook County, do hereby recognize **Apostle Reshorna M. Fitzpatrick** for her outstanding commitment , dedication and community service in the North Lawndale Community and so wish **Apostle Reshorna M. Fitzpatrick** every continued success in her future endeavors.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution is spread upon the official proceedings of this honorable body and a copy is forward to **Apostle Reshorna M. Fitzpatrick**