



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF PAULA HENLEY

WHEREAS, Almighty God has taken from our midst Paula Henley a devoted Mother, Sister, Grandmother and Friend, and

WHEREAS, Paula Henley was born in Harvey, IL on January 4, 1949, she was one of six children born to John and Pauline Stokes. Paula attended Thornton Township High School and continued her education obtaining her Associate Degree at Olive Harvey College, and

WHEREAS, Paula received Christ at an early age while attending Wesley United Methodist Church, and

WHEREAS, Paula possessed a servant's heart and was very kind and compassionate, if asked to do something, Paula's response was always "Yes"; and

WHEREAS, Paula was employed by Cook County Board of Commissioners, Secretary to the Board's office from August 12, 1996 to her retirement on June 18, 2018. Paula was skilled at her administrative job in billing for the Commissioner's offices and enjoyed working for the Commissioners and Staff, Paula knew no strangers and was always willing to go the extra mile, and

WHEREAS, Paula was a member of the 8th Ward Women's Auxiliary where she volunteered countless hours of her time to an organization she "loved": and was very instrumental in all activities and events of the 8th Ward Regular Democratic Organization, the 33rd State Representative District, and the 4th District of Cook County, and was a lifelong resident of the 4th District of Cook County, and

WHEREAS, Paula leaves, to cherish her memory, her Daughter Richienda Herring, her brothers, John Stokes, Glen Stokes, and Barry Stokes, her grandchildren JaTaeja, Rayna, Christian, a host of family, friends, and her Cook County colleagues,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Toni Preckwinkle, President, along with members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, and on behalf of all citizens of Cook County, do honor the life and memory of Paula Henley and thank her entire family for sharing her for the many contributions she bestowed to Cook County Government,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that suitable copies of this resolution be tendered to her family in recognition of her career, contributions to the Cook County Government and her passion for public service.