



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **IN MEMORY OF RODOLFO “RUDY” AVIÑA**

**WHEREAS**, Rodolfo “Rudy” Aviña was born on June 19, 1971 in Michoacán, México, son of Luis Aviña and Esperanza Arevalo; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy, as his family and friends affectionately called him, was the middle child of a loving family that included his siblings Ana, Luis, Adriana and Esperanza; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy’s family settled in Chicago’s Pilsen neighborhood, which remained his home and the place to where he devoted much of his time; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy attended Peter Cooper Elementary, Cooper Upper Grade Center, Whitney Young High School, and the University of Illinois at Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy had a passion for music that began with his fascination of the New Wave music movement, prompting him to buy his first synthesizer and learn guitar and later percussion; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy learned the art of framing while in high school and opened Creativo Framing in 1994, where he gained the loyalty of individual, corporate and museum clients; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy and Leticia Gutierrez, proud parents of Mia (1997), Carlos (1998) and Sofia (2000), developed healthy relationships with their children, who saw Rudy not simply as a father but as their best friend; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy loved the arts, was creative and enjoyed building things, including a child bassinet for his daughter Mia, which surprised everyone due to the detail and beauty of the woodwork; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy was often described as a kind and gentle soul with an infectious smile, who wanted to take care of the earth and live a life of peace and harmony with those around him; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy always sought to play an active role in the lives of his loved ones by spending time with his mother and taking his children on camping trips to teach them to respect the earth; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy had a deep respect and reverence for Mesoamerican and Native American cultures and traditions; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudy’s life ended too soon on May 30, 2015 at the age of 43 and is survived by his children Mia, Carlos and Sofia, his mother Esperanza, his siblings Ana, Luis, Adriana, Esperanza, and his fiancé Erin, and was preceded in death by his father, Luis.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Rodolfo “Rudy” Aviña and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; 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 Rodolfo “Rudy” Aviña so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.