



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE, MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND MEMORY OF LINDA JEAN-PAUL

WHEREAS, Linda Jean-Paul a woman whose life was devoted to family, community and faith, died February 15, leaving friends, family and a community enriched for having known her; and

WHEREAS, Linda Jean-Paul was born in Haiti and later became a cherished leader of the Haitian community in Illinois working tirelessly with the Concerned Haitians of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Linda Jean-Paul's work with Concerned Haitians of Illinois mobilized Haitian-Americans, friends and allies of Haiti to provide vital resources and health care to those in need in Haiti; and

WHEREAS, Linda Jean-Paul emigrated from Haiti to the United States at the age of seven but maintained her Haitian citizenship throughout her entire life. She returned to Haiti in 1983 when she became Vice-President for Banc National de Paris; and

WHEREAS, Linda Jean-Paul was a respected leader throughout her life. She achieved respect early in life while attending St. Mary's Catholic School, continued while she was in high school at Evanston Township High School and later at the University of Illinois at Chicago and Northwestern University; and

WHEREAS, Linda Jean-Paul's leadership skills were highly sought after in the professional arena; her oratory skills were legendary; and

WHEREAS, Linda Jean-Paul's absence will be most acutely felt by the members of her very large extended family whom she loved and treasured; as well as her only child Gabrielle Walker-Aguilar and her three grandchildren, Ulai, Olu and Yuma; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County commemorates the extraordinary life of Linda Jean-Paul, and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable contributions she has made to the Citizens of Cook County, Illinois; 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 Linda Jean-Paul.