



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **RESOLUTION HONORING MONSIGNOR KENNETH VELO**

**WHEREAS**, The Justinian Society of Lawyers will be honoring Monsignor Kenneth Velo with its Award of Excellence at its Annual Installation Dinner on September 10, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, Monsignor Velo was ordained in 1973 and was appointed to St. Angela's Parish in Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1980, Monsignor Velo was appointed to the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, with residence at Queen of All Saints Basilica; and

**WHEREAS**, in the following years, Monsignor Velo served in various administrative positions, including as vice chancellor of the Archdiocese of Chicago and as executive assistant to Joseph Cardinal Bernadin; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1993, Monsignor Velo was named president of the Catholic Church Extension Society, a national organization that raises funds and awareness for mission dioceses in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1996, Pope John Paul II named Monsignor Velo Prelate of Honor with the title of Monsignor; and

**WHEREAS**, Monsignor Velo began his responsibilities at DePaul University in 2001, where he helped to extend the services of the university to the Catholic community and other entities and where he now serves as senior executive of Catholic collaboration; and

**WHEREAS**, Monsignor Velo serves a co-chair of the Big Shoulders Fund, which raises funds for inner-city Catholic schools in Chicago. More than 24,000 students in 93 schools are helped by Big Shoulders; and

**WHEREAS**, Monsignor Velo was a member of the Priests' Personnel Board of the Archdiocese for more than 22 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Monsignor Velo is a member of the board of Lurie Children's Hospital, a trustee of St. Mary's College, a board member of Trinity High School, and a life trustee of Fenwick College Prep.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate Monsignor Velo on receiving the Justinian's Society's Award of Excellence; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Monsignor Velo.