

## Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

## **Legislation Text**

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## PROPOSED RESOLUTION

## HONORING VFW POST 311, BENJAMIN O. DAVIS FOR EARNING THE ESTEEMED STATUS OF ALL AMERICAN POST

WHEREAS, VFW Post 311, Benjamin O. Davis has earned the esteemed status of All American Post from the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States; and

WHEREAS, VFW Post 311, Benjamin O. Davis was awarded this status based on outstanding achievement in membership growth and participation in VFW programs that benefit veterans and the community; and

WHEREAS, the All American Post distinction awarded to VFW Post 311, Benjamin O. Davis is an honor carried by only 2 percent of the more than 10,000 VFW Posts in the world; and

WHEREAS, named after the first African-American General of the United States, VFW Post 311, Benjamin O. Davis completed the All American Post Program requirements which ranged from community events such as the student essay competitions, Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen to programs unique for service men and women such as veterans job fairs, health screenings, benefits and disability counseling, and other supportive service events; and

WHEREAS, VFW Post 311, Benjamin O. Davis received recognition of All American Post status at the VFW National Convention held in Louisville, Kentucky in July and will celebrate their accomplishments at the Commander's Ball awards dinner on Saturday, August 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the leadership and members of VFW Post 311, Benjamin O. Davis honor their fallen comrades through their tireless efforts to serve our veterans, the military, and our communities, to advocate on behalf of all veterans, and to foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate the members and leaders of VFW Post 311, Benjamin O. Davis on their exceptional achievements and express their deep gratitude for the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made on behalf of this great country; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a suitable copy of this resolution be tendered to Commander Eugene Blackwell in recognition of the success of VFW Post 311, Benjamin O. Davis and the high esteem in which this organization is held by the President and members of the Cook County Board.