



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE OF SUE LING GIN

WHEREAS, Sue Ling Gin, a pioneering Chinese- American businesswoman who was founder and CEO of Chicago-based Flying Food Group LLC, died suddenly on September 26, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gin was a dedicated member of the Cook County Council of Economic Advisor; and

WHEREAS, she was a much admired civic leader and served on the board of many corporations like Exelon Corporation as well as civic organizations like DePaul University and the Field Museum; and

WHEREAS, many people considered Ms. Gin an unofficial ambassador for Chicago; and

WHEREAS, her active engagement and leadership in numerous civic roles helped to strengthen Chicago's profile as a global city; and

WHEREAS, Sue Gin started the Flying Food Group in 1983 with a single domestic airline customer and one catering kitchen at Midway Airport; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gin was a pioneering entrepreneur whose company grew to provide food service to over 70 national and international airlines, operate 20 catering kitchens from Honolulu to New York and generated over \$436 million in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gin launched a successful real estate business, New Management Ltd; which owns more than 400,000 square feet of property in the West Loop; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gin owned a handful of restaurants, an industrial bakery and residential properties around the city; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gin was a first generation Chinese American who grew up in Aurora IL and her father, who worked in a restaurant, died when she was 10, and her mother then took in sewing to keep the family together; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gin became very committed to immigrant rights; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gin despite her success was considered humble and known for her help to others; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners honor Ms. Sue Ling Gin and that she live in on in the hearts and minds of her family, friends, employees and colleagues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be provided to the family of Ms. Sue Ling Gin.