



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Chicago, IL

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT LEE STORMAN

WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His Infinite wisdom has called Robert Lee Storman from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Robert Lee Storman leaves to cherish his memory his wife Leah a son Robert-Daniel K. adopted daughter Rahchel Leach -Storman , beloved sisters Doris Harris , Rev. Dr. Arlene Hambrick; Joan Harris and Delmar Lawson (both deceased); and

WHEREAS, Robert was affectionately called “Stormy” while some just referred to him as “The Blade” for the cutting truths he told to effectively produce his Public Relations/Marketing strategies; and

WHEREAS, Robert lived his entire life in Chicago, Illinois, his education occurred at John D. Shoop Elementary School and Morgan Park High School and went on to attain an Associate Degree from the Chicago Community College where he fell in love with Public Relations and Marketing; and

WHEREAS, Stormy worked with some of the most important persons across this nation to move equity issues for diverse population in the inner city and far suburbs; and

WHEREAS, Stormy was about to open his own business when Ralph D. Abernathy asked if he was willing to work with him to move the work of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) that Reverend Martin Luther King and Abernathy co-founded; and

WHEREAS, Stormy was arrested on many occasions as others tried without success to subvert his work; and

WHEREAS, Stormy went on to do Public Relations with the Chicago Defender, Ebony Magazine, and the Urban League, the Nation of Islam and Louis Farrakhan and many of the largest African- American churches in the greater Chicago area; and

WHEREAS, Stormy was one of the organizers of the Million Man March, one of the most historic organized and mobilized events in the history of Black people in the United States; and

WHEREAS, to date, Thornton Township would be without a senior citizen services department had it not been for Stormy prodding Public Relations; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I Cook County President Toni Preckwinkle, and the Board of Commissioners of Cook County do hereby offer our deepest condolences to the family of Robert Lee Storman.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to the family of Robert Lee Storman and a copy be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body.