



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE OF MAXINE PORTIS

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, April 28, 2015, God in His own way and in His infinite wisdom called to His eternal reward Maxine Portis; and

WHEREAS, Maxine Portis dedicated her life towards being an outstanding public servant and a great role model for our youth; and

WHEREAS, Maxine Portis understood the importance of a quality education and after she successfully graduated from DuSable High School and DePaul University, Maxine became a teacher for the Chicago Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, throughout her illustrious thirty five year career as a teacher, Maxine Portis exemplified her tremendous passion for being an influential educator. Maxine will forever be remembered for her steadfast commitment to make a difference in the lives of Chicago's youth and leaves behind an exceptional legacy that will have a lasting impact on several Chicago Public Schools and hundreds of students; and

WHEREAS, Maxine Portis was a resilient social justice advocate that fought tirelessly for civil, human, and equal rights. This was most evident through her many years of work with the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations where Maxine was a vocal activist for disadvantaged workers; and

WHEREAS, Maxine Portis had a great zest for life and had many hobbies. Through her love for traveling and appreciation for different cultures, Maxine was blessed to be able to visit several countries around the world. Also known as a true 'foodie' and an intellectual, Maxine could always be found enjoying cuisine from any ethnic background or intensely reading books and magazines about international affairs; and

WHEREAS, Maxine Portis was dearly loved by her family and friends and her loving and caring spirit will be missed by all that knew her. As she leaves her earthly life, Maxine Portis leaves cherished memories in the hearts of her daughter, Aisha Noble, grandson, Robert Ulysses Noble, and son-in-law, Gus Noble; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners will gather together on the 20th Day of May, 2015 A.D. to express their sorrow on the passing of Maxine Portis and will extend to her family their sincere condolences; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution will be prepared and presented to the family of Maxine Portis.