

## Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

## **Legislation Text**

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## PROPOSED RESOLUTION

## RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF GARRETT FITZGERALD

WHEREAS, almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, has called our friend and neighbor Garrett FitzGerald from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Garrett FitzGerald was born August 26, 1976; and

WHEREAS, Garrett served as the Executive Director of the Northcenter Chamber of Commerce and the Chief Executive Officer of the Northwest Community Corporation - a champion for local economic development in Chicago's northside neighborhoods and across the city; and

**WHEREAS**, under his leadership, the Northcenter Chamber of Commerce grew from 23 members to nearly 400 today - making it a driving force within the community; and

WHEREAS, Garrett was a dedicated public servant of the 47<sup>th</sup> Ward, the entire City of Chicago and for the State of Illinois through his work as staff for both Alderman Eugene Schulter and Cook County Commissioner Forrest Claypool, and as a distinguished member of the Illinois Civil Service Commission, former Treasurer and Chairman of the Board of Directors at Neumann Family Services, and as the fourth congressional district's representative on the Citizens Utility Board; and

WHEREAS, a tremendous community leader, Garrett lost his battle with brain cancer on May 9, 2015 after fighting bravely in the face of this terrible disease; and

WHEREAS, Garrett FitzGerald was the beloved husband of Alicia, loving father of Bridget, the son of Kathleen and Thomas FitzGerald, the brother of Meghan Wiegold and cherished by countless others; and

**WHEREAS**, Garrett's memory will forever be treasured by the people of the Northcenter neighborhood, the City of Chicago and the County of Cook; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of Cook County, that we mourn the passing of our friend Garrett FitzGerald and extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends; and,

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED,** that a suitable copy of this resolution be tended to the family of Garrett FitzGerald as an expression of our deepest sympathy.