

## Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

## **Legislation Text**

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## PROPOSED RESOLUTION

## HONORING ECUADOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

WHEREAS, on August 10, 1809, Ecuador was the first country in Latin America to claim Independence; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Consulate of Ecuador and the Ecuadorian Community of Chicago will be celebrating the 206th anniversary in observance of the First Cry of Independence in Latin America; and

WHEREAS, those who fought for an end to foreign domination in Ecuador merit special honor, for their long and difficult struggle which began with the establishment of self-government in Quito on August 10, 1809 and resulted in victory in May 24, 1822; and

WHEREAS, the Ecuadorian community in Chicago make a rich and significant contribution to the strength of this County and city, devoting their talents, traditions and viewpoints to our collective good; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners appreciates the Ecuadorian community for their ongoing valuable contributions to this county; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners wish the Ecuadorian community continued success in enhancing the cultural richness that makes Illinois the gem of the Midwest; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners commend the Honorable Carlos Lenin Housse, Consul of Ecuador in Chicago, for highlighting the importance of the First Cry of Independence.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners on behalf of the citizens of Cook County do hereby proclaim Monday, August 10, 2015 to be "Ecuador Independence Day" in all of Cook County.