

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF ROBERT AND BARBARA JANES

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2016 Robert and Barbara Janes will celebrate 50 years of marriage; and

WHEREAS, Robert and Barbara have made their home in Evanston during their 50 years of marriage; and

WHEREAS, Robert and Barbara both served their country before their marriage with Robert serving in the US Army during the Korean War and Barbara as a US Peace Corps Volunteer in Pakistan from 1961 to 1963, one of the first ever Peace Corps volunteers; and

WHEREAS, Robert spent his career as a public accountant and Barbara as a math and science teacher. Both shared their professional talents in volunteer capacities with local and global organizations; and

WHEREAS, Robert and Barbara have been active volunteers in their local community. Robert served as treasurer of the Kiwanis Club of Evanston, Northminster Presbyterian Church, and Project LEAP (Legal Elections in All Precincts). He is an elected Commissioner of the Lighthouse Park District. Barbara served as Orrington School PTA president, Girl Scout troop leader and board member of The Citizens Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Robert and Barbara are graduates of Cook County institutions of higher education. Robert received his undergraduate degree from Northwestern University and Barbara received her master's degree from the University of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Robert played in both of Northwestern University's Rose Bowl appearances. He was a clarinet player in the NU Marching Band during their first Rose Bowl appearance in 1949 and played in the NU Alumni Marching Band during the 1996 Rose Bowl game as Barbara cheered from the sidelines, and

WHEREAS, Robert and Barbara have been committed local ambassadors who showcase the Chicagoland area to foreign citizens. They have hosted more than 20 international students and global visitors in their home though academic and professional exchange programs offered by Northwestern University, US State Department and World Chicago, and

WHEREAS, Robert and Barbara have shown a deep concern and commitment to their community. Robert has been a longtime volunteer with local political candidates and Barbara has helped organize local residents to preserve the community's precious parkland and open space; and

WHEREAS, Robert and Barbara share an affection for their children, Trina and Greg. They are proud grandparents of Jackson, Mackenzie, Zachary, the late Henry, Nate and Theo; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County takes great pleasure in honoring and celebrating the 50th wedding anniversary of Robert and Barbara Janes and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the contributions the two have made to the citizens of Cook County, Illinois; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be spread upon the official proceedings of this

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Honorable Body and that an official copy of the same be tendered Robert and Barbara Janes.