



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

*To know wisdom and instruction, to understand words of insight,  
to receive instruction in wise dealing, in righteousness, justice, and equity;  
to give prudence to the simple, knowledge and discretion to the youth-*

*Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance, to understand a proverb and a saying, the words of the wise and their riddles. **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.** (Proverbs 1-1-7)*

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. W. Delores Robinson has been a faithful, devoted educator with Chicago Public Schools for more than 46 years. Earning a Bachelor of Science Degree with Honors in Elementary Education from Prairie View A&M University in Prairie View, Texas.

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Robinson began her career with Chicago Public Schools in 1969 and assigned to the North Lawndale Community. The first year and a half she taught at Cole Child-Parent Center within the Charles Sumner Elementary School. Marking the beginning of her legacy as a phenomenal educator and trailblazer touching countless lives.

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Robinson career expanded as an elementary and middle school classroom teacher, teaching over 800+ students in her first 20 years of teaching. While working as a teacher and raising a young family, her passion for learning and teaching lead to obtaining an endorsement in middle school Mathematics and a Master of Arts degree in Reading from Northeastern Illinois University and a second Master of Arts degree in Education Administration and Supervision from Roosevelt University.

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Robinson's latter 26 years were spent as a Principal, leading and impacting some 4,000 students at Charles Sumner Elementary School. During her tenure, she is recognized and honored for her mentorship, leadership, outstanding performance and achievements by students, parents, peers, colleagues, CEO's and the Mayor of Chicago Rahm Emmanuel.

**WHEREAS**, under Principal Robinson's leadership, she created a culture of excellence and continuous improvement of academic acceleration resulting in sustained student achievement. Sumner's Math and Science Academy consistently remains a top performing school in the North Lawndale community.

**WHEREAS**, upon President Obama's first term Mrs. Robinson was invited to Washington, D.C. to sit on an esteemed panel at the Department of Education to provide her expertise for improving education in under privilege communities.

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Robinson has shown an unwavering dedication and commitment to serving others while exuding excellence in her profession. Her passion to be an educator, has left a mark on the minds and hearts of ALL her students prompting the importance of education. She has partnered with a number of community organizations to engage her students over the years. There are a few notable celebrities that pass through Sumner we might add: **Russell Cross** - Drafted into the NBA 1983 by Golden State Warriors 1st round /6th pick, **Bernard Randolph**-Drafted into the NBA by New York Knicks 10th round, **Kim McFarland** - Gospel recording Artist and **Penelope Jones/Trahanas** - Former Commander of 11th district Chicago Police.

**THEREFORE**, as you turn the page to the next chapter in life Mrs. Robinson, know that your longevity, dedication, commitment to making a difference, unconditional love and respect for your services, will always be remembered. The

way you have embraced your teachers, students, staff, parents, community and business leaders.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I Robert B. Steele, Commissioner of Cook County 2<sup>nd</sup> District along with Cook County President Preckwinkle and the members of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County salutes Mrs. W Delores Robinson for more than 46 years of service in our communities. Do hereby extend to you warmest congratulations on your retirement, a job well done.

***WE APPLAUD YOU AND SAY THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE TO NORTH LAWDALE TO SUMNER MATH AND SCIENCE ACADEMY.***