



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING ECUADORIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY IN COOK COUNTY

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

WHEREAS, the Colonia de Cotopaxi and the Ecuadorian Community of Chicago will be celebrating the 207th anniversary 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 makes a rich and significant contribution to the strength of this County and the City of Chicago by devoting their talents, traditions, and viewpoints to the collective good; and

WHEREAS, as an immigrant who proudly calls Cook County and the City of Chicago home, we appreciate all of the ethnic communities that make Cook County the diverse plate that it is, and certainly the Ecuadorian community is valued for their contributions to this County; and

WHEREAS, we wish the Ecuadorian community continuing success as it enhances the cultural richness that makes Illinois the gem of the Midwest; and

WHEREAS, we commend the Colonia de Cotopaxi and Jorge Burbano, Executive Director, for highlighting the importance of the First Cry of Independence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners on behalf of the citizens of Cook County, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, August 10, 2016 to be "Ecuadorian Independence Day" in Cook County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to the Colonia de Cotopaxi and to the Honorable Carlos Lenin Housse Dávalos, Consul General of Ecuador in Chicago to commemorate this auspicious occasion.