

## Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

## **Legislation Text**

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## PROPOSED RESOLUTION

## FRANK H. PASCHEN, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Frank "Bud" Paschen from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Bud Paschen was the beloved husband of Dianne Paschen, nee Tieken; and

WHEREAS, Bud Paschen was the loving father of Debora, Jeanne, Mary, Frank Henry, Tony, Paul, Elisabeth, Daniel, and the late Sarah; and

WHEREAS, Bud Paschen was the cherished grandfather of twenty-two and great-grandfather of three; and

WHEREAS, Bud Paschen was the devoted brother of LaVerne (Walker) Finney; and

**WHEREAS**, Bud Paschen grew up in Evanston and attended Evanston Township High School and Northwestern University, earning a civil engineering degree in 1959; and

WHEREAS, Bud got his start in construction as a teen, when he joined the family business as a laborer and later as an estimator; and

WHEREAS, Bud Paschen founded his company in 1975, but the family name has been linked to Chicago construction since the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, when his great-grandfather used his tuck-pointing skills to help rebuild the charred city; and

WHEREAS, after starting his own firm, Bud acquired S.N. Nielsen and Paschen Contractors, building his company, F.H. Paschen, into a multimillion-dollar enterprise, which now performs work in 25 states and completes projects in commercial, industrial, and civil industries; and

WHEREAS, Bud Paschen was known as a "regular guy" with great foresight and exceptional entrepreneurial skills; and

WHEREAS, Bud's company projects include the Deep Tunnel, Midway Airport, the 2012 reconstruction of Wacker Drive, and extensive renovations and construction of CTA lines throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, Bud Paschen gave back to the community in many ways, including donating and building a non-denominational mission in Ghana, which includes a church, orphanage, women's center, and school for students with disabilities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Frank "Bud" Paschen and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to the family of Bud Paschen, so that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

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