

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING MUJERES LATINAS EN ACCIÓN ON ITS 45TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, *Mujeres Latinas en Acción* is a not-for-profit organization based in the Pilsen neighborhood, within the 7th District of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Mujeres Latinas en Acción was founded in 1970, when the Latino and immigrant population in Chicago began to grow substantially; and

WHEREAS, Mujeres Latinas en Acción has three locations, and serves approximately 8,000 community residents each year; and

WHEREAS, Mujeres Latinas en Acción is the Latina organization with the longest record of service in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Mujeres Latinas en Acción has been empowering women by providing services which reflect their values and culture and being an advocate on the issues that make a difference in their lives for over 45 years; and

WHEREAS, Mujeres Latinas en Acción works in collaboration with other organizations to help Latinas throughout Chicagoland make better lives for themselves and their families by continuously sharing its resources through events and workshops; and

WHEREAS, *Mujeres Latinas en Acción* has been a beacon of hope to survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault by providing temporary financial relief as well as court advocacy and leadership training, academic support, and other skills women need to become self-sufficient; and

WHEREAS, *Mujeres Latinas en Acción* seeks to empower Latina women of all ages through personalized programs and services including after school programs, parent support programs, counseling, crisis intervention, court supervised visitation for non-custodial parents, and referrals to medical and financial support resources for women in need; and

WHEREAS, Mujeres Latinas en Acción is a passionate and knowledgeable advocate concerning issues affecting Chicago Latinas, including but not limited to immigration, access to healthcare and education, and reproductive rights; and

WHEREAS, Mujeres Latinas en Acción serves as an ambassador for change at the local and national level, and is committed to achieving social justice for Latinas; and

WHEREAS, *Mujeres Latinas en Acción* has remained true to its original mission of creating a safe place for Latinas to flourish, learn, and discover themselves by providing women with the tools and support needed to succeed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate the staff, volunteers, and supporters of *Mujeres Latinas en Acción* on their 45th Anniversary.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to *Mujeres Latinas en Acción* in honor of its outstanding achievements.