

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION HONORING JOHN MAYES FOR HIS DECADES OF WORK IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE AND ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, John Mayes began his career in behavioral care at Thresholds in 1984, where he worked for more than 20 years, and

WHEREAS, in that role, John was a leader in expanding supported housing and outreach services to the South and West sides of Chicago, and

WHEREAS, for the last 12 years, John has led Trilogy, which he has transformed into one of Chicago's largest and most dynamic behavioral health service providers, and

WHEREAS, Trilogy was once a small organization that provided services mostly to the Northeast Side of Chicago, but John has expanded its role in the city by offering services across the South and West Sides, and

WHEREAS, beyond clinical care, John has been a major advocate for helping people with disabilities find work, and

WHEREAS, more than 500 individuals with mental illness have moved out of nursing homes and into independent living with John's assistance, and

WHEREAS, John is a licensed clinical social worker who holds a Master's degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago and is a past president of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Greater Chicago, and

WHEREAS, John has dedicated his life to the idea that people with serious mental illness can and do recover if given the treatment they need and deserve.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners that John Mayes is honored and thanked for his leadership and dedication to advancing the needs of mentally ill individuals, which benefits every resident of Cook County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that John Mayes is congratulated on the occasion of his retirement.