

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING ELNORA OVERTON ATHALONE ON THE OCCASION OF HER 100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

WHEREAS, The members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners are proud to congratulate Elnora Overton Athalone, an esteemed Cook County resident on the occasion of the celebration of her 100th birthday on November 9, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Elnora Overton Athalone was born in Tunica County, Mississippi on November 9, 1918; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Athalone comes from a very close knit and loving family as the middle child of Sam and Willie Overton where she was raised in the church; and

WHEREAS, Elnora Overton Athalone is the proud and loving mother to seven children, one son and six daughters; and

WHEREAS, In December of 1938, Elnora Overton married Henry Athalone and they enjoyed 56 years of marriage together until his death in March of 1995; and

WHEREAS, In 1952, Elnora and her family moved to the South Side of Chicago. This was during the period of The Great Migration and Elnora helped numerous family members by opening up her own home to help them get their new start in the city of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Elnora's home was the place where most of her 19 grandchildren spent their days and some of their nights before they reached school age. Along with her 19 grandchildren, Elnora has over 50 Great and Great-Great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Elnora enjoyed cooking for her family, especially her passion for baking cakes and peach cobbler, and she is presently a member of Sweet Holy Spirit Church; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners joins with her family and friends in extending our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Elnora Overton Athalone on the occasion of her 100th birthday; that we commend her on achieving a long and fulfilling life and enriching the lives of everyone she came into contact with, and we wish her continued happiness and good health in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the text of this resolution be spread across the journal of proceedings of this honorable body and that a suitable copy hereof be presented to Elnora Overton Athalone as a token of our true admiration for her.