



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY LEANNA RAJK FOR HER DEDICATION AND ADVOCACY ON BEHALF OF VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT

WHEREAS, Assistant State's Attorney Leanna Rajk has worked with the Cook County State's Attorney Office for the past 23 years; and

WHEREAS, Assistant State's Attorney Leanna Rajk is currently a senior prosecutor assigned to the Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Division where she is a true beacon of hope as a champion for Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence and an accomplished trial specialist; and

WHEREAS, She received her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and her Juris Doctorate from IIT Chicago Kent College of Law; and

WHEREAS, At the onset of her legal studies, Assistant State's Attorney Leanna Rajk was diagnosed with Stargardt's disease. Stargardt's disease is a form of macular degeneration which caused central vision loss to both of her eyes. Despite her condition, Assistant State's Attorney Leanna Rajk possess a undaunted commitment to the pursuit of justice; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure with the State's Attorney Office she has been assigned to Felony Trial, Juvenile, and Traffic Divisions; and

WHEREAS, Assistant State's Attorney Leanna Rajk has prosecuted over 1,000 cases with more than 70 of those cases being presented to a jury; and

WHEREAS, Assistant State's Attorney Leanna Rajk is dedicated to assisting victims with disabilities. She was the first prosecutor in Cook County to successfully petition the court to have an intellectually disabled victim testify outside the presence of her attacker via closed circuit TV; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that President Toni Preckwinkle and Cook County Board of Commissioners, and on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County do hereby recognize Assistant State's Attorney Leanna Rajk for her dedication to overcome adversity and her commitment to provide advocacy for victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault as well individuals with disabilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and a ceremonial copy be given to Leanna Rajk in commemoration of this auspicious occasion.