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## **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

## CONGRATULATING KATHERINE O'DELL FOR RECEIVING THE SICILIAN AMERICAN CULTURAL ASSOCIATION MEDAL OF MERIT

**WHEREAS**, on September 8, 2019, Katherine Amari O'Dell received the Medal of Merit from the Sicilian American Cultural Association at its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration; and

WHEREAS, Katherine O'Dell is a partner with the law offices of Amari & Locallo; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, Katherine O'Dell received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Northern Illinois University; and

WHEREAS, Katherine O'Dell graduated from John Marshall Law School in 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, Katherine O'Dell began her legal career at the Cook County State's Attorney's Office in the real estate tax department of the Civil Division; and

WHEREAS, the John Marshall Law School Alumni Association recognized Katherine O'Dell's accomplishments by awarding her with the Distinguished Service Award in May of 2006; and

WHEREAS, Katherine O'Dell served as the president of the John Marshall Law School Alumni Association from 2009-2010; and

WHEREAS, the John Marshall Law School Board of Trustees awarded Katherine O'Dell with its prestigious Spirit Award in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Katherine O'Dell is a member of the Illinois State Bar Association, serving her fourth elected term as a member of the ISBA General Assembly; and

**WHEREAS**, Katherine O'Dell is a past president of the Justinian Society of Lawyers and was the associate editor of the Justinian Society newsletter and served on its executive committee; and

WHEREAS, Katherine O'Dell is a past president of the Sicilian American Cultural Association; and

**WHEREAS**, Katherine O'Dell is the co-chair of the Women in Business Committee of the Park Ridge Chamber of Commerce and is one of the vice presidents of the Norridge/Harwood Heights Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Katherine O'Dell is married to Jay E. O'Dell and lives in Chicago with their son Jason.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate Katherine O'Dell for receiving this well-deserved award; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this resolution be tendered to Katherine O'Dell as an expression of our esteem.