

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIVES LOST IN THE 6TH DISTRICT DUE TO COVID-19

WHEREAS, the Covid-19 pandemic has been the worst healthcare and economic crisis in most of our lifetimes, disrupting our lives in innumerous ways, and far too many have been lost to this insidious disease; and

WHEREAS, the unprecedented level of disparities in healthcare outcomes during the Covid-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic especially in the African-American and Latinx Communities in Chicago and Cook County has been particularly devastating; and

WHEREAS, in Suburban Cook County the South Suburbs has been hit particularly hard by the virus and the 6th District alone ended 2020 with 1,105 deaths due to Covid-19; and

WHEREAS, due to the highly contagious nature of Covid-19, many have lost their lives alone, not having the chance for their loved ones to be with them, but only our heroic health care workers who have not only cared for them, but comforted them as they succumbed to this disease; and

WHEREAS, their deaths serve as a tragic reminder that we must remain vigilant even as we are being vaccinated so that we can protect our friends, loved ones and neighbors and hopefully overcome this pandemic and return to a more normal way of life; and

WHEREAS, we must resolve to work together to address and improve on the inequities that still exist in our government, our workplaces and in society that have led to these unacceptable outcomes to create a better county, state and country;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County, commemorates the lives of the Cook County 6TH District residents who died from Covid-19 in 2020, and does hereby offer its deepest condolences and heartfelt sympathy to their families and loved ones; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body.