



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING CHANTE THOMAS, AUTHOR

WHEREAS, Chante Thomas is a twenty-seven-year veteran 5th grade teacher in Shaker Heights, Ohio and has been writing children's stories over the span of her career; and

WHEREAS, Chante Thomas is an active member of the Shaker Heights Teachers Association, Cleveland Chapter of the Chums, Inc, Jack and Jill of America, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Chante Thomas is the mother of two sons ages 12 and 9, and a caregiver to her 87-year-old mother; and

WHEREAS, Chante Thomas attended Howard University, and graduated with a degree in marketing. And after deciding to return to school to teach, she attended John Carroll University earning a Master's in Education; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, Chante Thomas decided it was time to bring her stories to life and published her first book, "**Where I'm From.**" The book tells the geographic story of five diverse children with roots in the United States, Africa, and Asia. She has continued to publish a 2nd book, "**Go to School Tommy**" (a story that teaches us the power of a smile), and a 3rd book, "**Sean and the Book Cures**". This story takes us through the unforgettable year Covid-19 disrupted our lives and is told from a kid's perspective; and

WHEREAS, Chante Thomas is currently working on her 4th book, "**Sean and the Great Sacrifice**", a story about love and organ donation. This book will show the reader that information is powerful. As the main characters research what happens to the body when kidneys begin to fail, they are comforted to learn that there are options that can save lives; and

WHEREAS, Author Chante Thomas desires to inspire youth to not only read, but to also encourage them to create, build and write their own stories yielding from their own personal adventures:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate Chante Thomas on contributions as an author and thank her for being a distinguished member of the literary community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body and a suitable copy be presented to Chante Thomas as a symbol of our respect and esteem.