

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING UNITED STATES HISPANIC LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (USHLI) ON ITS 40TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, United States Hispanic Leadership Institute (USHLI) is celebrating its 40th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, USHLI was incorporated as the Midwest Voter Registration Education Project in April 1982, then the Midwest-Northeast Voter Registration Education Project in December 1987 and finally in December 1996, became the United States Hispanic Leadership Institute (USHLI); and

WHEREAS, USHLI is a Chicago-based national nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that promotes education, civic participation, research, and leadership development for Latinos; and

WHEREAS, USHLI's vision is to empower the Latino community by cultivating the next generation of Latino leaders and promoting education, leadership development, and providing financial support; and

WHEREAS, USHLI has registered over 2.3 million citizens to vote, trained over 1,025,000 present and future leaders, awarded over \$1.4 million in scholarships and internships, published over 425 studies on Latino demographics, including the Almanac of Latino Politics, and organized 40 national conferences attended annually by leaders representing 40 states; and

WHEREAS, USHLI serves on the Board of the Hispanic Association for Corporate Responsibility (HACR), which works with corporate America on matters pertaining to governance, supplier diversity, employment, and philanthropy, and the National Hispanic Leadership Agenda (NHLA) which advises presidential administrations on matters of personnel and public policy; and

WHEREAS, USHLI has been widely recognized and has received many awards including the *Corazón* Award by Univision for outstanding commitment to community service and the empowerment of Hispanic community; and

WHEREAS, USHLI will continue to be recognized and celebrated for upholding their mission to fulfill the promises and principles of democracy by promoting education and leadership development; empowering Latinos and similarly disenfranchised groups through civic engagement and research; and by maximizing participation in the electoral process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate the United States Hispanic Leadership Institute (USHLI) on its 40th Anniversary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this text be spread upon the proceedings of this Honorable Body and that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the United States Hispanic Leadership Institute (USHLI) in honor of its outstanding empowerment of the Latino community.