



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE OF PEDRO CERVANTES

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Pedro Cervantes from our midst on May 26, 2022, at the age of 43; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes grew up in the Chicagoland area. He attended Augustana College, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude with degrees in Political Science, Public Administration, and Biology; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes attended the University of Illinois College of Law, graduating Cum Laude in 2003. He was also named a member of Mortar Board Honors Society and Phi Beta Kappa Society; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes became a member of the bar in 2003, and joined as the Managing Partner of the firm now known as Tristan & Cervantes in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes provided legal services in Administrative and Regulatory; Business Formation and Transactions; Commercial Transactions and Litigation; Construction and Development; Insurance Coverage and Defense; Labor and Employment, Municipal and School; Personal Injury and Property Damage; and Real Estate and Land Use; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes was a member of the Board of Trustees for Augustana College and proudly often discussed with many on how his alma mater was truly a transformative place in his life and why he willingly continued to devote time and treasure to it; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes was equally passionate about the Chicago Sinfonietta, where he also served as a Board member; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes lived his life with the same fervor and zest-diving straight in. Pedro was not just an advocate, he was also a philanthropist, entrepreneur, a problem solver, and most significantly, a gracious friend; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes was a true south-sider and loved to go to the Sox stadium. He was as passionate about music, his nephews, and his side project, Primary (a nightclub in River North); and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes transformed Tristan & Cervantes firm into a formidable practice, and was a cherished mentor to many young professionals, some of whom continue now with the firm; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes earned a strong reputation with clients, opposing counsel, and the Judiciary and won many difficult cases; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes was the beloved son of Estella (nee Valadez) and the late Jose Cervantes, loving brother of Francisco (Jennifer) Cervantes and the late Pablo Cervantes, and cherished uncle of Cole and Connor. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends; and

WHEREAS, Pedro Cervantes and his legacy will continue to be felt for generations to come. He leaves not only a family

that grieves him but a community that was impacted by his contributions and convictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and many friends of Pedro Cervantes, and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be tendered to the family of Pedro Cervantes so that his memory may be honored and ever cherished.