



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIVES OF MENDEL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI WHO DIED IN VIETNAM AND AS FIRST RESPONDERS

WHEREAS, The Mendel Catholic High School Alumni Association is presenting a Mass and Honor Ceremony honoring alumni that died in Vietnam and first responders that died in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, The Cook County Board of Commissioners has been informed of this ceremony by the honorable Sean M. Morrison of the 17th District; and

WHEREAS, The event will include a co-celebrated mass with Bishop Turley and Father Tom McCarthy presiding, a pinning ceremony for all Vietnam Veterans attending in compliance with U.S. Congressional 50th Anniversary Vietnam War Commission Directive, and also a Challenge Coin presentation to all vets and first responders attending the event; and

WHEREAS, The ceremony will commemorate the lives of the following Mendel Monarchs who died in the Vietnam war: Edwin Heise, class of 1957; William Otto, class of 1959; Jeffrey Lemon, class of 1961; Ronald Janousek and Bill Scholten, class of 1962; William Geis, class of 1964; William Oskilanec, class of 1964; Alan Butkus, class of 1965; Craig Clancy, class of 1965; Jack Dalton, class of 1965; Robert Miller, class of 1965; Jerry Fleming, class of 1966; James Lawlor, class of 1966; Francis Schwartz, class of 1966; and Robert Hojnacki, class of 1966; and

WHEREAS, The ceremony will also commemorate the lives of the following Mendel Monarchs who died in the line of duty as Chicago Police Officers: Patrick Crowley, class of 1963 (Star Number 3614); and James Doyle, class of 1965 (Star Number 9093); and

WHEREAS, The leaders of the County of Cook want to recognize the great debt owed to our public servants and service members, and extend our sincerest gratitude for their sacrifices; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, gathered here this twentieth day of October 2022 do hereby express our gratitude for and celebrate the lives of the Mendel Monarchs who died in the line of duty, and honor their sacrifices; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to the Mendel Catholic High School Alumni Association as a sign of our honor and respect.