



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING COMMISSIONER LARRY SUFFREDIN

WHEREAS, after twenty (20) years of exemplary service as a public servant, Commissioner Larry Suffredin will vacate his seat as Cook County Commissioner of the 13th district; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Suffredin was the first of eight children born and raised in Cook County; and

WHEREAS, he is a lifelong resident of Chicagoland, received a bachelor's degree from Loyola University and a Law Degree from Georgetown University, and is a highly successful attorney including serving as a public defender as well as arguing cases before the United States Supreme Court and Illinois Supreme Court. He served as a Captain in the United States Air Force Reserve. He and his wife, Gloria Callaci, live in Evanston and have two grown children, Tom and Elizabeth.

WHEREAS, Commissioner Suffredin's leadership and contributions to Cook County are immeasurable and have positively impacted present and future generations of Cook County residents. As chairperson of the Cook County Committee on Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee, he has sponsored and supported countless advancements that have positively impacted and improved County operations and ultimately improved the well being of Cook County residents; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Suffredin sponsored Ordinances and Resolutions which Created the successful Independent Health and Hospital Board; Codified County laws for the first time; saved the old County Hospital Building from demolition; banned assault weapons; Sponsored raising the minimum wage from \$8.25 to \$13; Changed the leadership structure for the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center; Created an Independent Inspector General; and Created an Eviction and Mortgage Foreclosures Court protocol; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Suffredin brought a measured, factual, visionary, and passionate energy to the board; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Suffredin has always taken his fiduciary responsibility seriously, working to ensure that all taxation is fair; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Suffredin has lead with compassion, and dedicated his years of service to putting good governing over politics; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Suffredin is the definition of a statesman: he knows you can disagree without being disagreeable, and his leadership has become a staple of heated disputes; and

WHEREAS, while we wish nothing but the utmost happiness in retirement, Commissioner Suffredin's presence on the board will be sorely missed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Toni Preckwinkle, President, and Members of the Cook County Board Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby extend their sincere and grateful appreciation to Commissioner Larry Suffredin for his exemplary career in public service and their best wishes to him for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of same be tendered to Commissioner Larry Suffredin.