



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Resolution in Memoriam commemorating the life and accomplishments of John Balen.

WHEREAS, John Balen was a member of this County Board for twenty-two years between 1961 and 1990, serving as County Board Chairman from 1974 - 1976; and

WHEREAS, John Balen passed away on October 21, 2008, and his passing has saddened us all and gives us pause to praise his memory; and

WHEREAS, John Balen was passionate about representing the constituents he served; and

WHEREAS, John Balen was a member of the Board's environmental bloc that helped establish the local open space movement of the 1980's, and was instrumental in pushing for the acquisition of land that would become the Greenbelt Forest Preserve; and

WHEREAS, an official Statement of Memoriam by this County Board is indeed fitting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that we do, in unison, extend our heartfelt sympathy to his wife Helen, children Rochelle, Cheryl and John, grandchildren and to all of his family.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we do revere the memory of John Balen and the contributions that he made to Lake County government, and we shall remember John Balen as a man deeply devoted to working for the best interests of our County and the people he represented.

DATED, at WAUKEGAN, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, on this 18th day of November, A.D., 2008.