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## **COOK COUNTY BOARD PRESIDENT TODD H. STROGER RECEIVES MAJOR ENDORSEMENT FROM U.S. CONGRESSMAN BOBBY L. RUSH**

Todd H. Stroger, President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, today received a major endorsement from U.S. Congressman Bobby L. Rush for re-election to another term as Board President. The announcement was made in front of over 300 elected, clergy and civic leaders at the Crown Plaza Hotel in downtown Chicago, Illinois.

“President Stroger has been a very strong leader for our county. He successfully balanced four \$3 billion dollar budgets, kept the doors of Stroger hospital and the clinics open, and brought great reforms to county government. He deserves and has earned the right to be re-elected to another four year term as President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners,” Congressman Rush said to the standing room only audience.

Congressman Rush added, “I will work extremely hard to assist President Stroger’s campaign in any way I can. His campaign has already built tremendous momentum throughout Cook County”.

“Having the support of Congressman Rush is a great honor. I thank him and all the other elected officials here today for their confidence in my ability to lead Cook County,” said President Stroger. “Congressman Rush is a public official who has excelled at many levels of government, demonstrating a keen understanding of issues that affect the daily lives of our residents and developing public policy that benefits the entire community. His record of accomplishment is well known and he is universally praised for his commitment to the Cook County Health and Hospital System.”

President Stroger continued, “Congressman Rush agrees that my campaign is on the right track and that I am the best candidate to serve the people of Cook County. Cook County is fiscally sound and has a balanced budget, a world-class quality public health care system, and continues to keep vital county services, such as public safety and the court system, funded and running well.”

The “Stroger for President” campaign continues to support programs and initiatives that improve and protect the quality of life for all residents of Cook County. As the only candidate with a proven track record in executive leadership, Cook County Board President Todd H. Stroger continues to gain momentum with key supporters and constituencies across the County in his bid for re-election.

U.S. Representative Rush joins many other elected officials who have endorsed President Stroger including Cook County Commissioners Beavers, Sims, Moreno, and Murphy, retired Illinois

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Senate President  
Chicago Aldermen Michelle Harris, Walter Burnett, Howard Brookins, Jr., Isaac Carothers,  
Freddrenna Lyle, Lona Lane and JoAnn Thompson. Emil Jones, as well as,

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