



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611

## Legislation Text

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### **RESOLUTION FOR BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 6, 2014**

RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Dharani Villivalam's twenty-eight years of service to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District and congratulating her on her well-earned retirement

WHEREAS, Dharani Villivalam announced her retirement from the District after 28 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Dharani was born on July 30, 1951 to Srinivasa Rao and Sundra Bai Mazumdar, the second of three children; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from St. Joseph's Convent, Dharani earned a degree in mathematics, physics and chemistry from Government Women's College in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Dharani immigrated to the United States on September 11, 1976; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, Dharani completed her Bachelor of Science in Computer Science from Northeastern Illinois University; and

WHEREAS, from 1981 to 1986, Dharani worked as a Senior Programmer Analyst with Cook County in real estate applications; and

WHEREAS, three months after Dharani started at the District, her son Ramachandra Rao Villivalam joined son Arun Kumar and daughter Veena Villivalam to complete the family; and

WHEREAS, Dharani rose through the ranks of the Information Technology Department, becoming a Systems Analyst in August 1996, Assistant Director of Information Technology in August 2006, and Acting Director of Information Technology from January 2012 to February 2013; and

WHEREAS, Dharani worked on many important applications for the Information Technology Department, including Human Resource applications, a number of management systems including LIMS and PIMS, SAP, EGIS, budget, procurement, finance and engineering projects; and

WHEREAS, outside of work, Dharani contributed years of service to a number of non-profit agencies throughout the Chicagoland area, including the Hindu Temple of Greater Chicago, the Balaji Temple of Aurora, the Indo American Democratic Organization, and the Sri Annamacharya Project of North America; and

WHEREAS, as family has always been important to her, retirement will give Dharani more time to spend with her grandchildren, Ruchika Ashwini and Sohan Anush Villivalam; and

WHEREAS, although happy that Dharani will have more time to spend with family and to volunteer with organizations dear to her heart, her District friends will miss her; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, on behalf of ourselves and staff, do hereby recognize Dharani Villivalam's dedicated service to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District and express our gratitude and

appreciation for her work on behalf of the taxpayers of the District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the permanent Record of Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, and that a copy of same, suitably engrossed, be presented to Dharani Villivalam.

Dated: November 6, 2014

Approved: KATHLEEN THERESE MEANY, President; BARBARA J. MCGOWAN, Vice-President; MARIYANA T. SPYROPOULOS, Chairman, Committee on Finance; MICHAEL A. ALVAREZ; FRANK AVILA; CYNTHIA M. SANTOS; DEBRA SHORE; KARI K. STEELE; PATRICK D. THOMPSON, Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Approved as to Form and Legality: Ronald M. Hill, General Counsel