



RESOLUTION IN MEMORIAM
of
Honorable Maurice B. Cohill, Jr.

WHEREAS, the members and staff of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges are deeply saddened by the passing of Judge Maurice B. Cohill, Jr. of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Judge Cohill served with distinction on the Juvenile Court Bench from 1965-1968; the Allegheny County Common Pleas Court until 1976; and the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, where he served as Chief Judge from 1985-1992 and assumed senior status in 1994 until his retirement in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Judge Cohill was known as an innovative jurist, a juvenile justice champion, and the founder of the National Center for Juvenile Justice in 1973 and chairman of its Board of Fellows advisory committee for nearly four decades; and

WHEREAS, Judge Cohill was presented with the Community Champion Jefferson Award in 2002, known as the Nobel Prize of volunteerism as a reflection of commitment to his beloved community of Pittsburgh and commitment to public service; and

WHEREAS, Judge Cohill was a supportive colleague and leader in his jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Judge Cohill's contribution to the mission and work of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges as a member and officer has been invaluable through his more than 50 years on the bench, and through his support and leadership of the National Center for Juvenile Justice; and

WHEREAS, Judge Cohill was instrumental in supporting the corpus of the organization's endowment that now is key to the sustainability of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and a fund to support staff development for the National Center for Juvenile Justice named in memory of his beloved wife Suzanne.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges observes with sincere regret and a feeling of profound loss the passing of Judge Maurice B. Cohill Jr., and extends to his family and community its deepest sympathy.

Adopted March 12, 2022 by the NCJFCJ Board of Directors, Pittsburgh, PA.