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MAYOR EMANUEL RE-APPOINTS HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSIONER NORIEGA

Mayor Emanuel today re-appointed Mona Noriega to a three year term as Commissioner of the Commission on Human Relations. Noriega was originally appointed to complete the unexpired term of Dana Starks, which expired July 1.

"As I said when I originally appointed her, Mona has experience bringing Chicagoans together on issues that matter to all communities, which is critical to lead the Commission on Human Relations," said Mayor Emanuel. "Her experience, coupled with her understanding of the diverse population and perspectives of the residents of the city of Chicago make her an ideal choice to fill this role"

Mona Noriega, Commissioner, Department of Human Relations

Mona Noriega has dedicated her life and career to eliminating prejudice and discrimination and is committed to advancing the appreciation of Chicago's diverse population. She co-founded and served on the Board of Directors of Amigas Latinas, an organization committed to the empowerment and education of Latina LBT women in Chicago. Noriega also worked as the Regional Director of Lambda Legal Defense's Midwest office, which advances the civil rights of LGBT individuals. As an Assistant Publisher for the Windy City Times, she directed marketing efforts and managed client relationships for the paper. Additionally, Noriega has served as the board chair for the Girl's Best Friend Foundation. Noriega received her MBA from the University of Illinois at Chicago and her BA from Northeastern Illinois University.

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