

October 14, 2013

Board of Commissioners  
Chicago Housing Authority

Dear Commissioners;

It is with mixed emotions that I tender my resignation as Chief Executive Officer effective November 1, 2013. It has been an honor serving the citizens of Chicago over the last twenty-five months. During this time we have redefined the original Plan for Transformation and increased our emphasis on customer service. However, I have been in public service for over thirty years now. And while I have treasured this service, it has long been my desire to take my talents to another direction.

Therefore, I am pursuing other opportunities that I hope will benefit my family and my career. As you know, I have a young son who will soon begin his college career. I would like to spend more time guiding him and providing him with the resources he needs to meet his own goals.

And finally, I would like to thank Mayor Rahm Emanuel, the CHA Board and all of its employees and residents. You have given me an opportunity to stretch and grow. I will forever be grateful to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Charles Woodyard", with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

Charles Woodyard