

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, WTTW's Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review, premiered on January 20, 1978 after the idea was conceived over coffee at the Palmer House Hotel by Joel Weisman, John Callaway, and William McCarter; and

WHEREAS, Chicago Tonight, now in its 34<sup>th</sup> season, is one of WTTW's signature programs and has been helping Chicagoans make sense of the news by covering stories in politics, education, arts and culture, business, and science and technology in a relevant, informative, and engaging manner; and

WHEREAS, a Chicago native, Joel Weisman began his career in journalism after graduating from the University of Illinois as a reporter for esteemed publications such as the *City News Bureau of Chicago*, the *Post-Tribune*, the Metropolitan Editor of the *Chicago Sun-Times*, and the Midwest correspondent for *The Washington Post*; and

WHEREAS, Weisman began his career at WTTW in 1973 as the political editor and commentator on *The Public News Center* before going on to host Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review. During his tenure as host, Weisman welcomed hundreds of nonpartisan and diverse rotating reporters in the fields of print, broadcast, and digital media and has won multiple awards including, Emmys, Peter Lisagor, Jacob Scher, and Associated Press awards; and

WHEREAS, after 40 years of hard work and dedication, Joel Weisman will retire as host of Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review and leave behind an enduring legacy and serve as inspiration for generations to come:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RAHM EMANUEL, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, do hereby proclaim January 19, 2018 to be CHICAGO TONIGHT: THE WEEK IN REVIEW DAY IN CHICAGO in recognition of 40 years of covering the stories of the day in Chicago and the retirement of Joel Weisman after an illustrious career.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2018.

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