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Mayors Jackson and Emanuel Give to Each Other's Charities

CLEVELAND – In a friendly gesture of good will and mutual appreciation for the sportsmanship on display by both teams during the 2016 World Series, Cleveland Mayor Frank G. Jackson and Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel are committing to donate \$1,000 to youth baseball organizations in each other's cities.

For Mayor Jackson that is The Historic League Park which embodies the historical roots of baseball here in Cleveland. For Mayor Emanuel that is his Playball initiative run through the Chicago Parks Foundation, supporting youth baseball in Englewood, Humboldt Park and other neighborhoods.

While there was no friendly wager between Mayor Emanuel and Mayor Jackson over the World Series, the two mayors have come together to honor the incredible sportsmanship and spirit shown by both teams and their fans.

"The recently concluded World Series was more than just a great show for the sport, it was a great show of sportsmanship," Mayor Emanuel said. "It's in that spirit that Mayor Jackson and I are continuing our support for each other's cities, their fans and youth baseball players."

"Mayor Emanuel and I have agreed to give back to each other's city in the same way our cities have been uplifted by the two best teams in professional baseball," said Mayor Frank G. Jackson. "I can think of no better way to demonstrate this than to donate to Chicago's Playball initiative."