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STATEMENT FROM MAYOR LORI E. LIGHTFOOT ON PASSAGE OF VARIOUS NEW LEGISLATION IN SPRINGFIELD THAT WILL BENEFIT CHICAGO'S COMMUNITIES

"I want to thank Governor Pritzker, President Cullerton, Speaker Madigan and members from both parties in the Illinois General Assembly for advancing our shared vision of a stronger, more equitable future for Chicago and Illinois. We are securing new resources to improve our parks, schools, public transportation and roads through a new capital bill; new revenue for the City and the end to an old inequity through legalized cannabis; and the first step in approval for a Chicago casino that will help shore up the City's seriously underfunded pension funds and creating new jobs. Chicago is fortunate to again have leadership in the Governor's office that recognizes our city's role in driving economic growth and prosperity for the entire state. By continuing to work together in a spirit of cooperation and collaboration to confront shared challenges head-on, we can and will make meaningful progress to unlock new investments for growth in Chicago communities that have been left behind for too long."