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MAYOR LIGHTFOOT ANNOUNCES PROCESS TO FILL 24TH WARD VACANCY

Process seeks to identify passionate public servant to serve as Alderman

CHICAGO - Today, Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot announced the process to identify a qualified candidate to become the next Alderman of Chicago's 24th ward. Interested candidates must have lived in the 24th ward for at least one year prior to their appointment, demonstrate their passion for public service, and most importantly, have proven themselves to be someone who represents the 24th Ward community.

"As I've done with previous Aldermanic vacancies, I will work tirelessly to find someone who embodies the values of the 24th ward and the rest of our city," said Mayor Lightfoot. "This candidate must be able to speak to and advocate for the unique needs of the communities they will represent, as well as possess the lived experiences necessary to connect with their residents. I am committed to finding this person through an open and transparent process, as the residents of the 24th ward deserve no less."

As has been done in years prior for open Aldermanic seats, this process must be completed within 60 days. Starting on Wednesday, May 24th, interested candidates will be able to submit applications to <u>aldermanicvacancy@cityofchicago.org</u> or mail applications to City Hall care of the 24th Ward Vacancy Committee. Applications are due by June 7th, 2022 by 5:00 PM CT. Once applications close, the names and resumes of each applicant will be made publicly available, and a committee will begin reviewing each application thoroughly.

Mayor Lightfoot will form a search committee to review applications, interview candidates, and make a recommendation on the final slate of candidates. A final candidate will be selected by Mayor Lightfoot. Once confirmed, the appointed Alderman will remain in place until the next aldermanic election in 2023.

Details regarding this selection process can be found online at www.chicago.gov/ward24application.

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