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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR BRANDON JOHNSON ON RESIGNATION OF
CHICAGO SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESIDENT**

CHICAGO – Mayor Brandon Johnson released the following statement today, requesting the resignation of Chicago School Board of Education (BOE).

“Today, I asked Chicago School Board of Education (BOE) President Reverend Mitchell Johnson for his resignation, and he resigned, effective immediately. Reverend Mitchell Johnson’s statements were not only hurtful but deeply disturbing. I want to be clear: antisemitic, misogynistic, and conspiratorial statements are unacceptable.

My administration is committed to upholding the mission of transforming our public education system. It has become clear that his continued participation in the BOE would hinder the important work we need to accomplish for our schools.

We will proceed promptly to identify a qualified individual who shares our dedication to educational excellence and will serve with an unwavering commitment to the values we hold dear. I remain steadfast in my commitment to collaborate with all stakeholders to ensure that every child in Chicago has access to the quality education they deserve. Protecting and empowering the students in Chicago Public Schools remains our North Star.

The Board of Education meeting on Friday will proceed as planned under the current BOE bylaws.”

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