



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF CHICAGO

BRANDON JOHNSON  
MAYOR

**PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, March is recognized as Problem Gambling Awareness Month to increase public awareness of problem gambling and the availability of prevention, treatment, and recovery services; and

WHEREAS, problem gambling is a serious public health concern that affects individuals, families, and communities across our city and nation, often leading to financial hardship, emotional distress, and other significant challenges; and

WHEREAS, promoting awareness and education about problem gambling can help reduce stigma and encourage those affected to seek help through prevention, treatment, and recovery services; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Human Services' Division of Substance Use Prevention and Recovery (SUPR) and the Illinois Gaming Board (IGB) are committed to supporting individuals and families impacted by problem gambling through comprehensive services and resources, including a toll-free Hotline at 1-800-GAMBLER, and a website aimed at providing resources for problem gambling at [www.AreYouReallyWinning.com](http://www.AreYouReallyWinning.com); and

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago joins organizations across the state and country in recognizing the importance of Problem Gambling Awareness Month and in encouraging all residents to learn more about problem gambling and available support services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRANDON JOHNSON, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, do hereby proclaim March as **PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS MONTH** in the City of Chicago and encourage all residents, businesses, and community organizations to help increase awareness and support prevention, treatment, and recovery efforts for problem gambling.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2025.



Mayor