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Committee(s) Assignment:	Committee on License and Consumer Protection



CITY OF CHICAGO

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

July 15, 2020

TO THE HONORABLE, THE CHAIRMAN AND
MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON
LICENSE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith an ordinance that allows night games to be played at Wrigley Field on Friday and Saturday nights during the 2020 baseball season.

Your favorable consideration of this ordinance will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rosa Escareno".

Rosa Escareno
Commissioner, BACP

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, The Municipal Code of Chicago and an associated contract with the Chicago Cubs set clear limits on when, and how many, night games may be played each season at Wrigley Field; and

WHEREAS, As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, large gatherings of people are prohibited as it could lead to the spreading of the disease. This prohibition includes spectators in sports stadiums; and

WHEREAS, Also as a result of the pandemic, Major League Baseball is planning a shortened season of 60 total regular season games; and

WHEREAS, The reduced number of games and the current absence of spectators at games played at Wrigley Field reduces the noise, crowding, and traffic associated with customary night games in that stadium, and therefore justifies a temporary departure from the foregoing night game limitation for the 2020 baseball season; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. During the 2020 baseball season, the prohibition on night games on Friday and Saturday nights imposed by Section 4-156-430(C) shall not apply. Public attendance to any game shall only occur to the extent allowed under the limitations on gatherings ordered by the Commissioner of Public Health or the Governor of Illinois, whichever is more restrictive.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect following due passage and approval.