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**Type:** Resolution

**Title:** Call for fair negotiations in collective bargaining agreement with Chicago Access Network Television (CAN TV) management and union employees

**Committee(s) Assignment:** Committee on Workforce Development and Audit

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Chicago Access Network Television (CAN TV) was established more than three decades ago by City Council Ordinance to provide a vital voice for the people of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, through CAN TV, Chicago residents are able to create and produce TV programs and shows that showcase the rich diversity of our city and give voice to the concerns, lives, culture, experiences and opinions of individuals, neighborhoods and community groups; and

**WHEREAS**, CAN TV programs and shows cover news, events, viewpoints and opinions that would not otherwise be seen or heard on Chicago's mainstream media; and

**WHEREAS**, the hard working women and men at CAN TV train residents and groups on TV production and provide them with the tools and channels to get their message out to the public and cable viewers across the city; and

**WHEREAS**, CAN TV workers have had no voice of their own at their own workplace for years; and

**WHEREAS**, CAN TV workers have struggled with poverty wages, job insecurity and challenging working conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, CAN TV workers, in order to improve their workplace and have a voice, voted overwhelmingly on August 14, 2015 in an NLRB supervised election to become a union; and

**WHEREAS**, CAN TV workers are now members of the National Association of Broadcast Employees and Technicians- Communications Workers of America (NABET-CWA), Local 41, the Broadcast Union; and

**WHEREAS**, CAN TV workers are in tough bargaining for their first ever union contract that will lift them out of poverty wages and give them a voice at the workplace; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of Chicago recognizes the important service that CAN TV workers provide to the people of Chicago, applaud their successful union organizing election, and encourage labor peace at CAN TV that lift the workers out of poverty and provide a voice at the workplace.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Council of Chicago calls upon management at CAN TV to bargain in good faith and give their workers a fair contract that recognizes their value and voice.

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