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Resolution

Call for DISH Network to resume good faith negotiations for fair and equitable agreement treating Univision's Spanishlanguage networls on par with English-language networks Committee on Economic, Capital and Technology Development Committee on Economic, Capital and Technology Development September 20, 2018 City Council Meeting

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2018, DISH Network removed Univision's Spanish-language networks and stations from its systems and streaming services; and

WHEREAS, it has been reported that Univision had offered an extension to ensure that DISH customers continue to receive Univision while the companies work towards a new contract and that DISH declined the extension; and

WHEREAS, Univision's programming is critical and highly valued by Chicago's Hispanic community – providing vital, industry-leading news and information to our Latino families; and

WHEREAS, in light of current events, this programming is more important than ever and viewers deserve access to the Univision programming that they desire; and

WHEREAS, it is fundamentally important to the Hispanic community in Chicago that Univision be restored on DISH.

BE IT RESOLVED, that DISH resume good faith negotiations towards a fair and equitable agreement that treats Univision's Spanish-language networks on par with English-language networks; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if DISH is unable to ensure that its Spanish-language customers are receiving the full services to which they have subscribed, DISH release those customers from their contracts without penalty.

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