



# City of Chicago



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<b>Committee(s) Assignment:</b>	Committee on Economic, Capital and Technology Development

**RESOLUTION CALLING FOR HEARINGS ON CHICAGO BUSINESS TRAVEL**

**WHEREAS**, Chicago has long been considered a hub for business travel; and,

**WHEREAS**, Our central location and wide array of amenities led to a banner year for business travel which included over 30 million overnight travelers and an economic impact exceeding \$16 billion; and,

**WHEREAS**, Our tourism, hospitality and meetings industry created over 150,000 jobs for Chicagoans from all 50 Wards; and,

**WHEREAS**, Few industries have been hit harder by the COVID-19 pandemic with Chicago especially vulnerable due to its great number of large conventions and events; and,

**WHEREAS**, The City of Chicago should begin to act and prepare now for life after the Coronavirus; and,

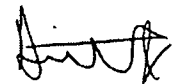
**WHEREAS**, Accordingly, The Chicago City Council Committee on Economic, Capital and Technology Development and its members are focused on helping all Chicagoans recover from the economic disaster caused by COVID-19; and,

**WHEREAS**, The recovery of the tourism, hospitality and meetings industries is one of the best ways to assure our economy will recover in 2021; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Chicago City Council Committee on Economic, Capital and Technology Development shall hold public hearings on post-COVID-19 recovery efforts within the tourism, hospitality and meetings industries; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That these public hearings shall be held in front of members of the Chicago City Council Committee on Economic, Capital and Technology before the end of 2020; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That members of the Committee on Economic, Capital and Technology continue to work together to help Chicago and all its industries recover.



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Alderman, 36<sup>th</sup> Ward