

groundbreaking broadcasts saying, "We broadcast these things because somebody had to do it, and we decided to be the first to do it;" and

WHEREAS, Over the years, station programming has included live music with big band orchestras, comedy and drama shows, police bulletins, baseball games, football games, and debates, as well as local and world news; and

WHEREAS, WGN has also been part of the fabric of Chicago sports and has previously been the voice of the Chicago Cubs, Chicago White Sox, and Chicago Bears, and WGN Radio is currently the flagship for the Chicago Blackhawks and Northwestern Wildcats football and men's basketball; and

WHEREAS, WGN Radio has a rich history of supporting the local community through events and fundraisers, and the station has also been recognized with numerous awards from broadcasting

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and journalism organizations including ten Marconi Awards from the National Association of Broadcasters; and

WHEREAS, A few of the well-known personalities heard on the station over the years included names such as Wally Phillips, Bob Collins, Roy Leonard, Pierre Andre, Quin Ryan, Milt Rosenberg, Franklyn MacCormack, Eddie Schwartz, Spike O'Dell, Steve King and Johnnie Putman, Kathy O'Malley and Judy Markey, Orion Samuelson, Jack Brickhouse, Lou Boudreau, Vince Lloyd, and more; and

WHEREAS, Voices in the current lineup include Bob Sirott, John Williams, Lisa Dent, John Landecker, Lou Manfredini, Steve Bertrand, Anna Davlantes, Dean Richards, Steve Dale, Dave Plier, and Jon Hansen, and these voices connect with listeners, establishing a high level of trust; and

WHEREAS, In the words of announcer Pierre Andre, "God bless to the hundreds of talented men and women who've made us what we are. And it's God bless to a faithful audience;" now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that we the Mayor and the members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this twenty-seventh day of April, 2022, do hereby honor WGN Radio on their 100th Anniversary and declare May 19 WGN Radio Day; and

Brendan Reilly Alderman, 42nd Ward President Pro Tempore

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to WGN Radio.

