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### RESOLUTION

Be it Resolved by the City Council of the City of Chicago:

That Rules 49 and 55 of the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago, for the Years 2015-2019 is hereby amended by adding the language underscored, as follows:

#### Sergeant-At-Arms.

RULE 49. There shall be elected by the members of the Council a Sergeant-at-Arms of this Council and such assistants as the Council may direct who shall preserve order, obey the directions of the Council and of the Chair, and perform all duties usually appertaining to the office of Sergeant-at-Arms and assistants shall be removable at the will of the Council of deliberative assemblies; provided that such Sergeant-at Arms and assistants shall be removable at the will of the Council by resolution duly adopted. The Sergeant-at-Arms and/or her designee, shall have the authority to terminate the broadcast of the proceedings of the City Council and of any City Council Committee Hearing in the event of: (i) an emergency; (ii) an act of God; and/or (iii) any other extraordinary event which, in the judgment of Sergeant-at-Arms, would not reflect the City Council proceedings or otherwise not be appropriate for public broadcast. The Sergeant-at-Arms, and/or her designee, shall restore the broadcast of the proceedings, after the cessation of such event, in an expeditious manner.

#### Broadcast of City Council Proceedings and City Council Committee Hearings.

RULE 55. (I) The proceedings of the City Council may be broadcasted or aired via the use of or transmission by the Internet and/or by any other available transmission process, subject to the following parameters:

- a) The broadcast of a City Council meeting shall begin immediately preceding the start or reconvening of a meeting and shall conclude immediately following the adjournment or recess of that meeting.
- b) The subject of the broadcast shall be confined to the individual recognized by the Presiding Officer of the meeting, pursuant to Rule 7 of the Rules of Order, except in those instances in which the debate or discussion is directed towards a subject located in another area of the Council Chambers, in which case the field of view may alternate between speaker and subject. Examples of such instances include congratulatory or memorial resolutions read pursuant to suspension of the Rules, and cabinet and commission appointments.

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(II) At the Chairman of a Committee's discretion, the proceedings of a City Council Committee Hearing may be broadcasted or aired via the use of or transmission by the Internet and/or by any other available transmission process, subject to the following parameters:

- (j) The broadcast of a City Council Committee Hearing shall begin immediately preceding the start or reconvening of a meeting and shall conclude immediately following the adjournment or recess of that meeting.
- (in The subject of the broadcast shall be confined to the individual recognized by the Chairman of the Committee or the Presiding Officer of the meeting, pursuant to Rule 7 of the Rules of Order, except in those instances in which the debate or discussion is directed towards a subject located in another area of the Council Chambers or Room 201A in which case the field of view may alternate between speaker and subject.