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## Legislation Text

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### **CAN-TV 35<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Chicago Access Network Television is celebrating thirty-five years of outstanding public service in the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, The members of this august body have been notified of this auspicious event by the Honorable Jason Ervin, Alderman of the 28<sup>th</sup> Ward; and

WHEREAS, In 1982, the City Council of the City of Chicago enacted a cable communications ordinance for the franchising and regulation of cable television in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, This ordinance created the not-for-profit Chicago Access Corporation (CAC) for promoting and developing maximum community involvement in, and uses of, the cable television system for cultural, educational, health, social service, civic, community and other non-profit purposes and to administer the use of public access channels; and

WHEREAS, This ordinance and subsequent amendments thereto provided that CAC controls a percentage of all subscriber cable channels, free of charge, as public access channels; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago Access Corporation (d/b/a "CAN TV" aka "Chicago Access Network Television") was officially incorporated as a not-for-profit entity on April 25, 1983; and

WHEREAS, The mission of CAN TV includes: (a) insuring access to cable television channels and corresponding facilities and resources for Chicago residents, groups, and institutions; (b) providing a mechanism through which the City's non-commercial institutions and organizations may effectively share their educational, health care and cultural resources with local communities at-large; and (c) advancing the interests of Chicagoans in receiving broad and diverse relevant and quality programming which addresses their unique needs, interests and potential; and

WHEREAS, Since the time of its founding CAN TV has been an invaluable resource to countless Chicago residents, community organizations, educational groups and social service agencies; and

WHEREAS, CAN TV is thriving and recognized for excellence in providing multi-media training and resources to members of the public who otherwise could not communicate with, and express their views to, a large public audience; and

WHEREAS, CAN TV remains passionately committed to providing its unique resources to residents of Chicago for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, On April 25, 2018, and throughout this year, CAN TV will observe and celebrate its 35th anniversary; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered together this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018, congratulate CAN TV on thirty-five years of exemplary service for all of Chicago and proclaim April 25, 2018 as CAN TV Day in Chicago.

JASON ERVIN  
Alderman, 28<sup>th</sup> Ward

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable of this copy be presented to CAN TV as a sign of our gratitude and appreciation.