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ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Clear limits are set by the Municipal Code of Chicago and an associated contract with the Chicago Cubs on when, and how many, night games may be played each season at Wrigley Field; and

WHEREAS, A special situation has arisen that calls for consideration of a one-time departure from the foregoing limitations; namely, that the Chicago Cubs are chasing the playoffs and are attempting to stay in first place in the Central Division, but have a make-up game at 4:05 p.m. in Washington, DC on September 13, 2018, for which they have to fly out only for the one game, and must return to Chicago to play the Cincinnati Reds, at a 1:20 p.m. game at Wrigley Field on September 14, 2018, giving the team little time for rest and preparation; and

WHEREAS, rescheduling the game from the afternoon to the evening would give the Chicago Cubs almost six more hours of rest, and thus they would be a team better prepared to win; and

WHEREAS, The one-game scheduling allowance provided by this ordinance is specifically and explicitly for one time only, and is of no precedential effect whatsoever; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. The Chicago Cubs may hold a Major League Baseball game at Wrigley Field at 7:05 p.m. on September 14, 2018. This shall count as one of the games allowed under Section 4-156-430(B)(2)(a).

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect following due passage and approval and shall be deemed to apply retroactively to September 14, 2018.

Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection

city of chicago

September 13,2018

TO THE HONORABLE. THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EVENTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith, together with Alderman Tunney, an ordinance authorizing a one-time exception to night game restrictions.

Your favorable consideration of this ordinance will be appreciated. 121 NORTH LASALLE STREET, ROOM 805, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602

Very truly yours,

September 20, 2018

To the President and Members of the City Council:

Reporting for your Committee on Special Events, Cultural Affairs and Recreation for which a meeting was held on September 13, 2018 having had under consideration one item:

An ordinance regarding single afternoon to night game rescheduling exception for the Chicago Cubs.

This item was a direct introduction to the committee by Business Affairs and Consumer Protection Commissioner Rosa Escareno and Alderman Tunney. I beg leave to report and recommend that Your Honorable Body Pass the proposed ordinance transmitted herewith.

This recommendation was concurred in by a viva voce vote of the members of the Committee.

Thomas Tunney Chairman

Respectfully submitted,