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## STATEMENT FROM MAYOR EMANUEL ON THE PASSING OF HENRY HENDERSON

Henry Henderson devoted his professional life in service to the protection of Chicago and the Great Lakes' natural habitat. His tenacity, ability to bring all voices to the table, and concern for communities most impacted by environmental challenges made a lasting difference during his time as Chicago Commissioner for Environment. Henry's devotion to Chicago did not end after leaving City Hall. His decade of work at the Natural Resources Defense Council was spent holding polluters, governments, and yes, even City Hall, to improve the air and water around us. Chicagoans and all Midwesterners owe a debt of gratitude to Henry for his leadership and service. Our hearts are with his wife Jacqueline and the entire Henderson family during this difficult time.