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ROCLAMATION

Presented by

Senate President John J. Cullerton

congratulating on an exemplary career

Joel Weisman

Presented this 19th day of January, 2018

WHEREAS: *The Emmy Award-winning weekly series "Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review" will celebrate its 40th anniversary on Jan. 19, 2018; and*

WHEREAS: *This milestone will also mark Joel Weisman's final appearance as host and senior editor of the program, a role he has filled since its inception; and*

WHEREAS: *"Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review" is the longest-running series in the history of WTTW, and one of Chicago television's longest-running series with a single host or anchor; and*

WHEREAS: *Joel Weisman, a lifelong Chicagoan, has been with WTTW since 1973, when he was a political editor and commentator on WTTW's first nightly news program, The Public News Center; and*

WHEREAS: *Throughout the series' four-decade history, Joel Weisman welcomed hundreds of reporters to his rotating four-person weekly panel long before the format was commonplace; and*

WHEREAS: *At Joel Weisman's insistence, the panelists on "Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review" were always nonpartisan and diverse and represented print, broadcast and digital media; and*

WHEREAS: *Joel Weisman rarely missed a show, recalling that he returned only two weeks after heart bypass surgery; and*

WHEREAS: *Joel Weisman graduated from the University of Illinois and broke into journalism as a reporter for the City News Bureau of Chicago, worked for the Gary Post-Tribune, and was political editor and investigative reporter for the Chicago American (Chicago Today); reporter/columnist and Metropolitan Editor of the Chicago Sun-Times; and Midwest correspondent for The Washington Post; and*

WHEREAS: *Joel Weisman has won multiple awards including Emmy awards; Peter Lisagor, Jacob Scher and Associated Press awards; and he is a member of the Chicago Television Academy's prestigious Silver Circle; and*

WHEREAS: *Joel Weisman was twice nominated for the Pulitzer Prize for his investigative reporting; therefore be it*

PROCLAIMED: *BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS that we congratulate Joel Weisman on his hard work and dedication during an exemplary, four-decade career as host of "Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review;" and be it further*

PROCLAIMED: *That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Joel Weisman as a symbol of our esteem and respect.*



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Senate Recognition

*The Illinois Senate
of the 100th General Assembly of the State of Illinois
acknowledges*

Joel Weisman

*In Recognition of
40 years of dedication and service to WTTW's CHICAGO TONIGHT:
THE WEEK IN REVIEW as host and senior editor,
roles he has held since the show's inception,*

*and calls for the commemoration of a successful career and
further extends its wishes for happiness, health and continued
success in all future endeavors.*

Offered by: Senator William E. Brady

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State Senator

John J. Cullerton

*John J. Cullerton
Senate President*

Tim Anderson

*Tim Anderson
Secretary of the Senate*

