OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF CHICAGO  

RAHM EMANUEL  
MAYOR  

PROCLAMATION  

WHEREAS, elevators are referenced in life and culture as far back as 200 BC and the escalator was invented in America in the 19th century; and

WHEREAS, elevators and escalators service billions of people the world over daily; and

WHEREAS, over 200 billion riders travel on elevators and escalators each year in North America; and

WHEREAS, from November 9-15, 2014, the 20th Annual Elevator Escalator Safety Awareness Week will be observed by the Elevator Escalator Safety Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this week is to increase public awareness of the safe and proper use of elevators, escalators, and moving walkways; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this week is to reduce avoidable accidents through education and awareness; and

WHEREAS, the elevator industry greatly contributes to the quality of life by providing access and relief through modern engineering and mechanical technology; and

WHEREAS, this endeavor is worthy of support and cooperation as the short range vertical transportation industry is of invaluable benefit and assistance to Chicagoland residents as well as the general public:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RAHM EMANUEL, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, do hereby proclaim November 9-15, 2014 to be ELEVATOR ESCALATOR SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK IN CHICAGO, and urge all Chicagoans to recognize the Elevator Escalator Safety Foundation and participate fully in this observance to improve the quality of life for all of us.

Dated this 1st day of October, 2014.

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Mayor