

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR CITY OF CHICAGO

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, injuries, both intentional and unintentional, are the leading cause of death and disability to U.S. children between the ages of one to eighteen-years-old; and

WHEREAS, intentional and unintentional injuries are often caused by homicides, suicides, traffic accidents, window falls, shootings, and other undetermined means; and

WHEREAS, many of these injuries and deaths are preventable with the use of safety practices, proper equipment, and education; and

WHEREAS, the Injury Free Coalition for Kids was founded with the mission of bringing awareness to childhood injury and is the country's most effective injury prevention programs comprised of hospital-based and community-oriented programs that are anchored in research, education, and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, November 18, 2021 had been designated as National Injury Prevention Day and will be commemorated with educational workshops, informative events, and important tools and resources for parents and childcare providers:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LORI E. LIGHTFOOT, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, do hereby proclaim November 18, 2021 to be NATIONAL INJURY PREVENTION DAY IN CHICAGO and encourage all residents to educate themselves on how to reduce injuries in children in Chicago.

Dated this 18th day of November, 2021.