



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF CHICAGO

BRANDON JOHNSON  
MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, November is observed as *Homelessness Awareness Month*, a time dedicated to shedding light on the struggles faced by individuals and families experiencing homelessness and to mobilizing action toward solutions; and

WHEREAS, homelessness remains a pressing challenge in Chicago and across the nation, affecting thousands of men, women, and children who face barriers to safe, stable, and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, *Deborah's Place* has been a beacon of hope in Chicago for nearly four decades, providing housing, healing, and supportive services to women experiencing homelessness, empowering them to build brighter and more independent futures; and

WHEREAS, on November 1, 2025, *Deborah's Place* will host its *Awareness Walk*, bringing together residents, advocates, and community partners in a unified effort to raise awareness, foster understanding, and inspire change; and

WHEREAS, the *Awareness Walk* serves not only as a visible show of solidarity with those impacted by homelessness but also as a vital fundraiser to ensure that *Deborah's Place* can continue its mission of ending homelessness for women in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Homelessness Awareness Month and events like the *Deborah's Place Awareness Walk* challenge us to confront the systemic causes of homelessness and reaffirm our collective responsibility to create a community where every person has the dignity of a safe place to call home:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR JOHNSON, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, do hereby proclaim November 2025 as HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH IN IN CHICAGO and recognize November 1, 2025, as the day of the DEBORAH'S PLACE AWARENESS WALK and I encourage all residents to join in compassion, advocacy, and action to end homelessness and to support organizations that are making a meaningful difference in the lives of our most vulnerable neighbors.

Dated this 15th day of August, 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "BJ", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Mayor