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MAYOR EMANUEL ANNOUNCES THE HOXTON HOTEL BRINGING OVER 300 JOBS TO CHICAGO

Today in London, Mayor Rahm Emanuel and The Hoxton announced that the hotel will bring over 300 jobs to Chicago when it opens in April 2019. This contributes to Chicago's booming tourism industry, which will see an additional six hotels open in the city in 2019.

"We are thrilled The Hoxton is joining Chicago's surging tourism industry, and in one of our most dynamic neighborhoods," said Mayor Emanuel. "Chicago's unmatched combination of cultural events, conventions, and casual sightseers has generated thousands of well-paying jobs and millions of dollars in new economic activity for our residents and across every community."

The Hoxton's 182-room Chicago hotel will be located in the bustling Fulton Market District, near the city's acclaimed Restaurant Row. It will contain three restaurants run in collaboration with Boka Restaurant Group, including a Peruvian restaurant from Chef Stephanie Izard.

Sharan Pasricha, Founder and CEO of Ennismore, said: "We are thrilled to be opening our third US property in Chicago, an incredible city that's bursting with energy. Fulton Market District was a natural choice for us, and truly embodies everything that's core to The Hoxton brand, from its great food and drink to its vibrant creative community. We can't wait to open our doors, and be part of the neighbourhood."

Chicago continues to rise as one of the top tourist destinations in the U.S. Last year, Chicago welcomed over 57.6 million visitors – a growth of 4.3% over the previous year, resulting in a new tourism record. The record was driven by a growth of 4.4% in domestic visitors and an increase of 2.9% in overseas visitors. Chicago tourism-related employment is estimated to have reached 150,616 jobs in 2018, an increase of 1.2%. More than 22,000 new tourism-related jobs have been added since 2011.

"Tourism is a major driver of Chicago's robust economy, creating jobs for residents throughout our city," said Andrea Zopp, president and CEO of World Business Chicago.

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“After another record-breaking year of visitors, hotel room demand continues to grow, and we are thrilled to welcome The Hoxton to Chicago.”

The announcement took place during a trade mission to London and Paris, led by Mayor Emanuel and World Business Chicago.

About The Hoxton

The Hoxton is a series of open house hotels inspired by the diversity and originality of the streets and scenes that surround them. Just like our doors, our minds are open too. Ever since we opened our first hotel in Shoreditch, way back in 2006, we’ve never just been about offering a bed for the night. We want to be more than that: providing a place where guests can hangout alongside the locals and submerge themselves in the neighborhood with vibrant, welcoming public spaces. Then there’s our eclectic program of monthly events, where we bring the outside in, and work with local creatives to curate events unique to each location.

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