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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR EMANUEL ON TRUMP JUSTICE DEPARTMENT'S
APPEAL OF NATIONWIDE INJUNCTION ON UNLAWFUL CONDITIONS TIED TO PUBLIC
SAFETY GRANTS**

"We will fight the Trump Justice Department's unlawful attack on Chicago's values any time, any place, because we are on the right side morally and the right side legally. We will not accept a false choice between our public safety and values as a welcoming city, nor will we be blackmailed into giving up on the values that have made us a beacon of hope for immigrants and refugees from around the world."

Background:

- Chicago submitted its Byrne JAG application on August 31, in advance of the September 5 deadline.
- After Chicago filed suit, the DOJ immediately began to backtrack on conditions it originally proposed.
- The City is hopeful that the DOJ will release these critical public safety funds soon, as it has released them in the early fall previously.

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