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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL ON THE RETIREMENT OF ILLINOIS
HOUSE MAJORITY LEADER BARBARA FLYNN CURRIE**

"Barbara Flynn Currie is one of a kind, and someone whose intelligence and command of a wide range of public policy issues is matched only by her decency. Throughout her career she has been a passionate advocate for the people of Chicago and the state of Illinois. As the first woman to hold the position of Majority Leader, she shattered a glass ceiling and blazed a trail for countless others. From fighting to raise the minimum wage, to expanding access to early childhood education, to advocating for common sense gun laws, Leader Currie has been a voice for the voiceless and a steady champion for the most vulnerable among us. On behalf of a grateful city, I wish Barbara nothing but the best in her well-earned retirement."

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