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## MAYOR EMANUEL DECLARES NOVEMBER 3 NIK WALLENDA DAY IN CHICAGO

Mayor Rahm Emanuel this afternoon declared today (November 3) Nik Wallenda Day in the City of Chicago, in recognition of the fearlessness, ingenuity, and resolve exhibited by Nik Wallenda that will forever serve as inspiration to residents in Chicago and beyond. The Mayor presented Nik Wallenda with the proclamation and the Chicago flag during a visit at City Hall today.

"Nik Wallenda has made history here in Chicago with his greatest high-wire walk yet," said Mayor Rahm Emanuel. "That is why today, I declare it to be Nik Wallenda day in the City of Chicago. Nik and his team brought a spectacular event to our City and their accomplishment speaks to the true spirit of Chicago."

In the proclamation the Mayor recognizes the Nik Wallenda high-wire walk as having provided another opportunity to showcase Chicago as a great city for first-class sports and entertainment while setting two Guinness World Records – Highest Incline Tightrope Walk and Highest Blindfolded Tightrope Walk.

Preliminary reports indicate 65,000 spectators made their way downtown to watch the event on Sunday, November 2. The live broadcast was also shown in more than 200 countries on Discovery Networks Worldwide providing tremendous national and international exposure to the City of Chicago.

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Photo Caption: Mayor Emanuel presents Nik Wallenda with a proclamation officially making today Nik Wallenda day in the City of Chicago.

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