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STATEMENT FROM MAYOR EMANUEL ON THE DISCUSSION OF A THIRD CHICAGO-AREA AIRPORT

"The significant modernization programs underway at O'Hare and Midway will keep passengers connected and fuel new economic opportunities for the region for years to come. In fact, when the O'Hare expansion is complete, it will be the equivalent of adding a third airport to the area. O'Hare is already number one and our modernization will secure it and the Chicago area's aviation future. If the state has an extra \$150 million to spend, schools, mass transit, libraries and parks could wisely use those resources."