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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR EMANUEL ON THE PASSING OF
PRESIDENT GEORGE H.W. BUSH**

“President George H.W. Bush will always be remembered for the hallmark humility, dignity and grace with which he served our nation. In public life and in private conversations, the Naval officer who fought in the last World War and the President who helped end the Cold War, never allowed policy disagreements or political differences to overshadow the fact that we are all Americans working towards a better country. When I was elected to Congress and placed on the Ways and Means Committee, President Bush called me - a rookie congressman who helped end his bid for re-election 10 years prior - to tell me how much he thought I would enjoy the post and the work. That's who President Bush was as a person and a patriot, and that is how he will forever be remembered. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Bush family, and a grateful nation, as we honor President Bush's life of service to our country.”

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