



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

January 22, 2018

Dear Friends:

As Mayor, and on behalf of the City of Chicago, I am pleased and proud to extend warmest greetings to everyone gathered for the 2018 Air-Conditioning, Heating, Refrigerating Expo (AHR).

Founded in 1930, the AHR Expo has become one of the HVACR industries preeminent events. This expo provides a unique opportunity for members of the HVACR industry including OEMs, engineers, contractors, manufacturers, distributors, industrial and institutional facility operators, and educators to come together to discover the latest products, learn about new technologies, and take part in ample networking opportunities.

This years event, will bring together over 2,100 exhibitors and 70,000 attendees to participate in thoughtful lectures, exciting exhibits, receptions, more than 120 learning sessions, and over 50 seminars. In addition to bringing HVACR industry professionals together, the AHR Expo also gives back to the community by donating the entry fees from the Innovation Awards competition. This years recipient, the Chicago Lighthouse, received \$20,700 to continue to severe the blind, visually impaired, disabled and Veteran communities. I commend the AHR Expo for their work in advancing the HVACR industry and their philanthropy.

It is my hope that after learning about and discussing what's new and changing, you will take the time to explore and take advantage of everything Chicago has to offer. An exciting variety of restaurants, universities and world-class museums accented by our iconic skyline, incredible lakefront, and historic neighborhoods make Chicago one of the world's greatest cities.

I hope you have an enjoyable and productive conference, and submit my best wishes for much-continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rahm Emanuel".

Mayor