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Illinois Governor JB Pritzker, U.S. Representative Jesús "Chuy" García, and Chicago Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot to Participate in NALEO 39th Annual Conference

Governor Pritzker and U.S. Representative García will provide welcome remarks during the National Leadership Luncheon & Plenary while Mayor Lightfoot will address Latino leaders during the Conference's Opening Gavel Ceremony

CHICAGO, IL – The National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) announced today that the **Honorable JB Pritzker**, Governor of Illinois; the **Honorable Jesús "Chuy" García**, United States Representative; and the **Honorable Lori E. Lightfoot**, Mayor of Chicago, will provide remarks during the NALEO 39th Annual Conference — the nation's largest gathering of Latino policymakers.

The event will be the first in-person Conference NALEO has hosted since 2019, prior to the start of the pandemic, and will take place in Chicago, Illinois, from June 23–25, 2022. Mayor Lightfoot will address Latino leaders during the Conference's *Opening Gavel Ceremony* on Thursday, June 23, while Governor Pritzker and U.S. Representative Jesús "Chuy" García will provide welcome remarks during the *National Leadership Luncheon & Plenary* on that same day.

"We are looking forward to having Governor JB Pritzker, Congressman García, who is a past NALEO Board Member, and Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot join us next week as we gather Latino leaders in the Prairie State for the nation's largest Latino political convention," stated **NALEO Educational Fund CEO Arturo Vargas**. "Heading into our first in-person Conference after three years, the gathering will be a great opportunity for NALEO members and Latino policymakers across the country to connect with Illinois and Chicago leadership."

Every year, the NALEO Annual Conference brings together hundreds of Latino leaders and their supporters from across the country and across the aisle to facilitate the meaningful exchange of ideas and foster solutions around today's most pressing policy issues. NALEO is thrilled to have Illinois Governor JB Pritzker, U.S. Representative Jesús "Chuy" García, and Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot join us in these discussions.

WHO

The Honorable Jay Robert Pritzker, Governor of Illinois
The Honorable Jesús "Chuy" García, United States Representative
The Honorable Lori E. Lightfoot, Mayor of Chicago

WHAT

NALEO 39th Annual Conference

Opening Gavel Ceremony

National Leadership Luncheon & Plenary: Latinos Making History

WHEN

Opening Gavel Ceremony

Thursday, June 23, 2022

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. CT

National Leadership Luncheon & Plenary: Latinos Making History

Thursday, June 23, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. CT

WHERE

Swissôtel Chicago

The full Conference agenda, as well as additional session information, is available [here](#).

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About NALEO

The National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials is the non-partisan leadership organization of the nation's more than 7,000 Latino elected and appointed officials.