

SUBSTITUTE
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2025, the 26th Ward Alderperson's Office held a public Housing Town Hall to seek feedback from residents on pressing housing issues in the ward, including displacement, affordability, and the increasing scarcity of naturally occurring affordable rental housing; and

WHEREAS, residents of the 26th Ward identified the need for community-driven housing policy and stronger protection for naturally occurring affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Illinois Election Code, 10 ILCS 5/28-1 et seq., and the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-60, the corporate authorities of a municipality have the authority to submit a public question to the electors of the municipality by means of a referendum; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby intends to submit a public question of significance to the residents of 26th Ward within the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it is in the best interest of the residents of the 26th Ward within the City of Chicago to submit this question to the voters of the 26th Ward at the regularly scheduled general election to be held on November 3, 2026; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY The CITY COUNCIL OF The CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. The foregoing recitals are found as fact and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. The City Council of the City of Chicago hereby initiates and authorizes the following public question to be submitted to the voters of all precincts of the 26th Ward within the City of Chicago at the regularly scheduled general election next occurring after the effective date of this resolution on November 3, 2026:

"Shall new shared housing units be limited in the 26th Ward to help address Chicago's severe rental housing shortage?"

☐ **YES**

☐ **NO**

SECTION 3. That the City Clerk of the City of Chicago shall certify the public question referenced herein to the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners in accordance with Article 28 of the Election Code.

SECTION 4. That this resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Alderperson Jessie Fuente