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It is my sad duty to announce the death of Mayor Harold Washington. Mayor Washington was stricken with a heart attack early Wednesday morning. He was immediately transported to Northwestern Memorial Hospital for emergency treatment and was pronounced dead at 1:36 P.M.

We are all saddened by the untimely death of the Mayor. The Mayor was both fond and proud of this Department. He had absolute faith in the quality of service we provide to this city, and he counted himself among our staunchest supporters. We have lost more than a Commander in Chief. We have lost a friend.

Our duty now is to carry on. The services of government must continue. Our citizens are dependent upon us, and Mayor Washington would have expected nothing less.

We will be extremely busy during the next few days. Many visitors from around the world will be coming to Chicago to offer their condolences. I ask each of you to extend yourselves in whatever assignments you may have and to conduct yourselves in a manner in keeping with the dignity and solemnity that this occasion requires.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "LeRoy Martin". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

LeRoy Martin
Superintendent of Police