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## **Civic Committee of the Commercial Club of Chicago Statement Regarding January 6th Assault on the U.S. Capitol Building**

The violent assault on the U.S. Capitol by supporters of President Trump who were trying to overturn the presidential election is deeply troubling and violates core American beliefs in our democracy, rule of law, and the orderly transition of government. At a time when our nation is struggling with a once-a-century pandemic and the resulting economic and human hardship, this kind of threatening and seditious public behavior, spurred on by President Trump and abetted by other elected officials, further divides our nation and irreversibly damages America's reputation in the global community. Congress has now acted and President Trump has issued a statement committing to recognize the election outcome and support the safe, peaceful, and secure transition to the administration of President-elect Joseph Biden. We have every hope and expectation that the new administration will conduct a thorough and just investigation of the dangerous and shameful events of January 6th and prosecute those responsible for illegal behavior under our country's rule of law.

### **About the Civic Committee**

Founded in 1983 by the Commercial Club of Chicago, the Civic Committee is comprised of the senior executives of the Chicago region's leading employers. Its mission is to make our region a better place for everyone to live, work, and do business. The Civic Committee establishes task forces and committees to undertake studies, develop recommendations, and work to address key policy issues confronting the Chicago region.