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TIM McNAMARA NAMED WGN-TV DIRECTOR OF SALES

CHICAGO – April 16, 2025 –WGN-TV today announced that Tim McNamara has been named Director of Sales, effective April 28, 2025. McNamara will lead advertising sales across all local, national, political and digital platforms associated with WGN-TV, WGN+, wgntv.com, and the WGN-TV mobile app.

“As one of Chicago’s Very Own, Tim’s extraordinary track record leading successful teams in two major markets, paired with his local Chicago experience at both WGN-TV and WLS, makes him the perfect choice as our new Director of Sales,” said Ric Harris, VP/General Manager of WGN-TV. “Tim knows the market, and he knows Chicago. He understands how to build winning teams, inclusive cultures, and we’re excited to have him lead our team!”

Prior to joining WGN-TV, McNamara spent over 14 years as Director of Sales at TEGNA’s duopoly in Atlanta, overseeing ad sales for WXIA-TV (NBC) and WATL-TV (MYNET), OTT product Premion, and other digital products. As part of Tribune Broadcasting, McNamara served as Director of Sales for WXIN-TV and WTTV-TV, then Tribune’s FOX and CW duopoly in Indianapolis for seven years. He moved to Indiana from Chicago, where he previously worked for five years at WGN-TV as Local Sales Manager and, later, as National Sales Manager East. Prior to his time with Tribune, McNamara worked as a local account executive for WLS-TV. He began his career with Petry Television in 1989.

"Growing up in Elk Grove Village, WGN-TV holds a special place not just in my career but has truly been a part of my entire life," commented McNamara. "I am honored and thrilled to be coming back to a place that means so much to so many."

McNamara earned his B.S. in Broadcast Communications from Marquette University. He is active with the Georgia Chapter of the Crohn’s and Colitis Foundation and is a youth hockey coach with the Atlanta Fire. In the past he has held board positions with the American Advertising Federation of Indianapolis and Indiana Children’s Wish.

WGN-TV is Chicago’s Very Own source for news, entertainment and [The CW Network](#). WGN-TV is owned and operated by Nexstar Media Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Nexstar Media Group, Inc. WGN News programs more local news than any other Chicago TV station and can be seen on WGN-TV; the [WGN+ TV streaming app](#) on Roku, Amazon Fire TV, Apple TV, and Samsung Smart TVs; online at [WGNTV.com/Live](#) and the [WGN News mobile app](#). In-depth local weather coverage is available on all newscasts, [WGNTV.com/Weather](#) and the WGN Weather mobile app. WGN Films, part of WGN-TV, presents compelling and in-depth cinematic journalism that goes beyond the headlines to explore the stories and issues that affect Chicago area communities. WGN 9.2 is the Chicago affiliate for Nexstar Media Inc.’s classic TV network [Antenna TV](#), WGN 9.3 is the Chicago affiliate for [Grit](#), WGN 9.4 is the Chicago affiliate for Nexstar Media Inc.’s retro TV network [Rewind TV](#) and WGN 9.5 is the Chicago affiliate for [The Nest](#). For more information on Chicago’s Very Own WGN-TV, go to [WGNTV.com](#)

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