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## **WLS POLITICAL COMMENTATOR DAN PROFT ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR GOVERNOR**

### ***SEEKS TO 'UN-FIX' ILLINOIS***

**Chicago, Illinois...** Conservative Republican Dan Proft today announced his candidacy for Governor of Illinois, pledging to “un-fix” a government system designed to benefit the politically powerful.

“Politicians from both parties attempt to explain away the ongoing corruption and incompetence rife in state government by telling us that the real problem is that the system is broken; that Illinois is broken,” said Proft, speaking to reporters at the Chicago Hilton.

“But Illinois isn’t broken. It’s fixed,” he said.

The longtime Republican activist and entrepreneur cited Chicago Public Schools, Illinois Medicaid and the state Toll Highway Authority as a few examples of “fixed systems.”

These systems are designed to “create dependent and dependable voting blocs that sustain and advance the political careers of those in charge,” said Proft. “They provide secure jobs and guaranteed pensions for the patronage armies of the political establishment.”

Proft promised to take the fight to the “Chicago Nine,” who are the chief architects and beneficiaries of Illinois’ “fixed” systems.

“Those would be the nine Chicago Democrats who live within a few square miles of each other and who currently control more than \$70 billion worth of government and more than 125,000 public sector jobs in Illinois,” said Proft.

Arguing that Republicans have failed to present an alternative governing vision, Proft plans to “un-fix” Illinois by advancing conservative principles and policies, such as improving the education system, promoting competition and decreasing tax and regulatory burdens on families, businesses and those whom Proft calls “the People Who Play By the Rules.”

“It is time to try something new. It is time to present the conservative case,” said Proft.

In the coming days, Proft will be taking his message of “un-fixing” Illinois across the state to Springfield, Collinsville, Peoria, Quincy, the Quad Cities and Rockford.

“The reality in Illinois is grim right now, but our opportunity is great,” said Proft. “I am running for governor so that others like me, who might have lost faith in their party, know that a choice exists and know that their fight has been joined.”

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*Dan Proft is a respected political commentator for WLS-AM 890 radio in Chicago, a contributor to Human Events, School Reform News, and other conservative publications, and a successful small business owner.*

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