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MAYOR DALEY WELCOMES JETBLUE TO O'HARE
Discount Airline Plans Flights to New York's JFK, New Service to Long Beach

JetBlue Airways will begin commercial air service at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport with daily flights to New York's John F. Kennedy (JFK) Airport and California's Long Beach Airport, a new destination for the Chicago Airport System, Mayor Richard M. Daley and company officials announced today.

"JetBlue's innovative approach to air travel is a welcome addition to O'Hare and will benefit the residents of Chicago and surrounding communities," Daley said. "This announcement showcases the strength of the Chicago market and is another indication of our region's economic viability and the appeal of Chicago as a great place to do business."

Founded in 2000, JetBlue has a fleet of Airbus A320s and EMBRAER 190s, serves 47 cities and is widely known as one of the most successful start-up low cost carriers in the industry. With one of the youngest aircraft fleets, JetBlue prides itself on low fares, friendly service and superior in-flight amenities.

"Chicago has consistently ranked #1 on our customers' wish list of JetBlue destinations for a long time, and we are happy to bring our award-winning service and low fares to the Second City," said JetBlue CEO and Founder David Neeleman. "With up to five daily flights to New York's JFK, and up to two daily flights to Long Beach, Chicagoans and visitors to this great city will love our signature 36 channels of DIRECTV programming. JetBlue makes flying fun again, and we look forward to offering the JetBlue Experience to our Chicago customers."

JetBlue will operate from Gate E8 in O'Hare's Terminal 2 and will become the 55th major passenger airline serving O'Hare. Service will begin as early as January 4, 2007. Prior to this announcement, JetBlue was one of only four major domestic carriers not currently serving Chicago. The remaining three are Aloha and Hawaiian Airlines and Midwest Airlines..

The Chicago Airport System is self-supporting, using no local or state tax dollars for operations or capital improvements at O'Hare and Midway International airports. Together, Chicago's airports generate more than \$45 billion in annual economic activity and 540,000 jobs for the region. Please visit www.flychicago.com to learn more about the Chicago Airport System.

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