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**NEW NONSTOP SERVICE FROM ROC TO CHICAGO MIDWAY
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (MDW) BEGINS**

New air service will bring greater access to ROC’s 6th most popular destination

Rochester, NY – Nonstop flights from the Frederick Douglass Greater Rochester International Airport (ROC) to Chicago Midway International Airport (MDW) on Southwest Airlines have arrived. The addition of nonstop service to MDW will bring an additional 40% seat capacity to the Chicago market, which is currently ROC’s sixth most popular destination, and will also improve connectivity to other popular destinations that Southwest serves.

“We are proud to have worked closely with Southwest Airlines to secure this nonstop service to Chicago, one of our top destinations for local travelers and a major hub for Southwest’s network,” **said County Executive Adam Bello**. “Business travel continues to rebound from the COVID-19 pandemic, and Monroe County and Finger Lakes’ residents tend to head west for leisure and vacation travel during the summer months so the timing of additional nonstop flights to Chicago couldn’t be better.”

Nonstop service on Southwest Airlines from ROC to MDW is now offered twice daily, except for Saturdays. Southwest Airlines also operates nonstop service to Baltimore, MD (BWI), Orlando, FL (MCO), Tampa, FL (TPA) and Ft. Myers, FL (RSW) out of ROC.

Flight Schedule:

Start Date	Weekly Frequency	Departure Airport	Arrival Airport	Departure Time
June 5, 2022	Twice daily Sunday thru Friday	ROC	MDW	5:20 a.m. or 6:45 p.m.
June 5, 2022	Twice daily Sunday thru Friday	MDW	ROC	12:25 p.m. or 8:35 p.m.

Passengers can book their tickets today online at www.southwest.com. Strong passenger support of these non-stop flights demonstrates that our community can support additional non-stop service in the future. Southwest schedules are subject to change based on demand and conditions due to COVID-19.

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