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## ***SPECIAL ALERT***

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### **WLS, NewsTalk 890 Announces New Program Director**

**CHICAGO** – John Gallagher, President and General Manager of WLS, NewsTalk 890 announced Kipper McGee as the Program Director for WLS today. "In a career spanning over 20 years, Kipper has experience building and leading successful radio stations," explains Mr. Gallagher. "I'm confident that Kipper will bring a new level of passion and success to the entire WLS team."

"Programming WLS is a dream come true," shares Mr. McGee. "Most of my life, I've lived within the Big 89 signal and followed every move, every step in the evolution of WLS with great interest. It's far more than just a radio station to me, and I'm truly honored by John Gallagher's invitation to become part of its heritage. I'm also excited by the opportunity to work with some of Chicago radio's biggest names: Don Wade & Roma, Eileen Byrne, and Roe Conn just for starters. As Chicago fans know, it's like having Payton, Jordan, Sandberg and Fisk all on the same team."

Mr. McGee has served most recently as consultant for Talk Radio Network. Previously he was Program Director for WDBO, Orlando. In 2004, the readers of ***Radio & Records*** nominated him News/Talk Program Director of the Year. In 2005, Kipper accepted the award for News/Talk Station of the Year, after leading WDBO to their first number one overall ranking in decades.

Mr. McGee is a frequent speaker and panelist at key broadcasting industry events, including the ***Radio & Records Talk Radio Seminar***, **PROMAX** - the professional broadcast marketer's convention, the **Iowa Broadcasters Association**, the **Conclave** in Minneapolis, and other industry events such as **Morning Show Boot Camp**, the **Rick Scott Sports Radio Seminar** the **National Association of Broadcasters Convention**. His comments, columns and articles have appeared in publications as ***Radio & Records***, ***Talkers Magazine***, ***Radio Ink*** and ***Programmers Digest***. His first day will be Monday, June 13, 2005.

WLS is owned and operated by ABC.

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