## RESOLUTION RE: COZETTE BUCKNEY SPECIAL LIAISON TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

- **WHEREAS**, after over 33 years of faithful and dedicated service, Dr. Cozette Buckney has retired from the Chicago Public Schools; and
- **WHEREAS**, she began her career with the Chicago Public Schools in 1969 as a teacher at Englewood Academy High School; and
- **WHEREAS**, Dr. Cozette Buckney, served as a teacher, counselor and assistant principal at Austin Community High School; and
- **WHEREAS**, Dr. Cozette Buckney was assigned as principal of Melville W. Fuller in 1984, as principal of Jackie Robinson Elementary School in 1987, and as principal of William Jones Commercial High School in 1989; and
- **WHEREAS**, in 1994 she was appointed Project Manager of To Improve Management of Education (T.I.M.E); and
- WHEREAS, in 1995 Dr. Cozette Buckney was appointed Chief of Staff to the Chief Executive Officer; and
- **WHEREAS**, in 1997 she was appointed the Chief Education Officer, responsible for programs and policies directly affecting student learning, curriculum and instruction methods, and all principals and teachers in the school system; and
- **WHEREAS**, Dr. Cozette Buckney currently serves as the Special Liaison to the Board of Education to the City of Chicago and the Chief Executive Officer of the Chicago Public Schools; and
- **WHEREAS**, during her entire career, Dr. Cozette Buckney has served with enthusiasm and vigor, demonstrating the highest level of professionalism and an unwavering commitment to and vision for attaining high-quality educational opportunities for the children of the Chicago Public Schools.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the Board President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2002, do hereby extend to Dr. Cozette Buckney our sincere gratitude for her many contributions to the children of the Chicago Public Schools and offer her our best wishes in her future endeavors.