RESOLUTION RE: GWENDOLYN BROOKS COLLEGE PREPARATORY ACADEMY "KNOW YOUR HERITAGE 2003" TEAM

WHEREAS, in January, 2003, the Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory Academy "Know Your Heritage 2003" team won the "Know Your Heritage 2003" television competition and won an all-expenses paid trip to Walt Disney World; and

WHEREAS, forty-five Chicago area high schools competed, including 6 non-Chicago public high schools; and

WHEREAS, the quiz show requires team competition in which students match their knowledge with that of students from other schools in the following categories: Art and Architecture (Painting, Photography, Sculpture), Education, Literature, Media (Movies, Radio, Television, Publishing), Performing Arts (Dance, Music, Theater, Fashion Design), Politics/Economics/Law/Business, Sports (Baseball, Basketball, Boxing, Football, Golf, Tennis, Track and Field), and Science and Technology; and

WHEREAS, since the objective of the quiz show is to inform and inspire the audience regarding the contributions of various ethnic groups worldwide, each team member had to demonstrate and apply knowledge across the different subjects and share information about the achievements of a wide variety of cultural groups; and

WHEREAS, the Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory Academy team is composed of seven members: Tyneisha Banks, Miguel Cortez, Autora Dorsey, Kelvin Dudley, Anneka Johnson, Brandon Kennedy; and

WHEREAS, the Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory Academy team comported itself with dignity, grace and aplomb in each round for the fourth, consecutive year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago gathered here this 23rd day of April, 2003, congratulate the "Know Your Heritage 2003" team members, their coaches Hubert Jackson, Lorene Barnes, and the Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory Academy's administration for the team's success and for bringing distinction to our school system. Congratulations are also extended to the parents or guardians of these students for their supportive role in the team's accomplishments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that suitable copies of this resolution are to be forwarded to all team members, the coaches and to the principal, Dr. Pamela Dyson, of Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory Academy.