RESOLUTION RE: MATTIE B. TYSON RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF THE JAMES WELDON JOHNSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND CHILD PARENT CENTER

WHEREAS, after 32 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children of the City of Chicago, Mattie B. Tyson has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, at the time of her retirement, Mattie B. Tyson was the principal of the James Weldon Johnson Elementary School and Child Parent Center, located in the North Lawndale Community of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Mattie B. Tyson began her career with the Syracuse, New York Public Schools as a teacher at the Bellevue Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Mattie B. Tyson also served as staff development strategist, parent involvement coordinator and an assistant principal, going on to become the principal in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Mattie B. Tyson is an experienced and dedicated educator who is widely respected and acknowledged for her professional expertise and personal approach with students and parents; and

WHEREAS, Mattie B. Tyson will be greatly missed by the students and faculty of the James Weldon Johnson Elementary School and Child Parent Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 23rd day of June, 2004, do hereby extend to Mattie B. Tyson our heartiest congratulations upon her retirement as a Principal, and offer to her our sincerest and best wishes for good fortune and prosperity, as well as our gratitude for her contributions to the education and development of the children of Chicago.