RESOLUTION RE: MARY ELIZABETH USHER RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF THE BLAIR EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

WHEREAS, after 36 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children of the City of Chicago, Mary Elizabeth Usher has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, at the time of her retirement, Mary Elizabeth Usher was the principal of the Blair Early Childhood Center, located on the southwest side of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Mary Elizabeth Usher began her career with the Chicago Public Schools as a teacher at the Christopher School; and

WHEREAS, Mary Elizabeth Usher also served as coordinator of programs for the physically disabled, going on to become the principal in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Mary Elizabeth Usher 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, Mary Elizabeth Usher will be greatly missed by the students and faculty of the Blair Early Childhood 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 28th day of June, 2006, do hereby extend to Mary Elizabeth Usher 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.