RE: THE 2008 - 2009 CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS VALEDICTORIANS

WHEREAS, the Class of 2009 Valedictorians achieved the highest-overall grade point average in their respective Chicago public schools senior class; and

WHEREAS, the Class of 2009 Valedictorians have maintained the highest-overall grade point average during their four years of high school attendance, have proven themselves to he highly motivated and well-disciplined; and

WHEREAS, the Class of 2009 Valedictorians have shown determination, perseverance. academic talent, and

WHEREAS. the Class of 2009 Valedictorians have shown that they possess an educational vision that brought academic success: and

WHEREAS, the Class of 2009 Valedictorians have successfully met the academic challenges provided by the Chicago public schools high schools curriculum; and

WHEREAS. Tacara Edwards of Academy of Comm & Tech HS: Michelle Nunez of ACE Technical HS: Ashley Burns of Alternative Learning HS: Jose Estrada of ASPIRA Charter: Kaniesha Knight of Best Practice HS; Chivone Smith of Big Picture - Williams; Yesenia Valle of Bogan HS; Daniel Velasco of Brooks College Prep: Diana Moreno of Chicago Academy HS: Matthew Lopez of Chicago HS for Agricultural Sci; Ivette Guadarrama of Chicago Military HS; Ansherra Hilliard of Clark HS; Patrick Perry of Collins HS; Shannon Welch of Community Services West; Andrea Saucedo of Crane Technical HS; Terrell Wright of De Las Casas HS: Jasmine Johnson of Douglass Academy HS: Desiree Taylor of Dyett HS; Diego Jimenez of Farragut HS; Victor Jones of Fenger HS; Michelle Miller of Gage Park HS; Derrick Gordan of Graham Training Ctr HS; Pauline Lake of Harlan Community Acad; Anika Brown of Hirsch Metro HS; Nia Hill of Hope College Prep; Chivon Ford of Hyde Park Academy HS; Martha Jean of Jefferson HS; Jessica Perez of Juarez HS; Kenneth Tan of Kelly HS; Wioleta Olczak of Kennedy HS; Laura Navarrete of Lake View HS; Teranika Sparks of LINC Alt HS; Elizabeth Rao of Lincoln Park HS; Alycia Jenkins of Manley Academy HS; Marzieh Salehitazangi of Mather HS; Ariana Casanova of Multicultural Arts HS; Jeremy Grajales of North Grand HS; Elizabeth O'Donnell of Northside Learning; Shannon Voss of Phillips HS; Jerry Welch of Prologue Early College HS; Rodolfo Hernandez of Richards Career Academy: Amanda Jeffery of Robeson HS; Boneesha Wynn of School of Arts - South Shore; Andrea Lewis of School of Technology - South Shore; Ahsan Ali of Senn HS; Antonio Jimenez of Social Justice - Lawndale: Yolanda Pelayo of Spry Comm Links HS: Jun Tan of Sullivan HS: Wesley Wong of Tilden Comm Academy HS; Vo Hao of Uplift Community HS; Claire Rychlewski of Von Steuben HS; Julli Jaramillo of Wells HS and Jennifer Rojas of World Language HS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, this 27th day of May 2009, congratulate the Class of 2009 Valedictorians for their accomplishments and for bringing distinction to themselves and their schools. Congratulations are extended to the parents and teachers of these students for their role in the students' accomplishments.