RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCHOOL DAY FOR ADDITIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

WHEREAS, Section 1114 of the No Child Left Behind Act ("NCLB") empowers and directs the Board of Education of the City of Chicago (the "Board") to provide opportunities for all children to meet the State's proficient and advanced levels of student academic achievement;

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to provide these opportunities by increasing the number of opportunities for student learning activities at the school and increase the amount of student learning time in the school day;

WHEREAS, the Board is permitted by Section 34-18.4 of the Illinois School Code to operate before and after-school programs, which must be coordinated by certified teachers but may be staffed by non-certificated personnel;

WHEREAS, the Board intends to establish a pilot program entitled "Additional Learning Opportunities" at certain of its schools; and,

WHEREAS, the pilot program will be implemented in two phases during the 2010-2011 school year: in up to five schools in Fall 2010 and in up to ten schools in the first six months of 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD, as follows:

That the Board hereby provides targeted additional learning opportunities for students based on their current proficiency in reading and math while providing opportunities for our students to engage in other academic enhancing activities including arts and music;

That the Board hereby increases the student learning hours in designated Chicago Public Schools by requiring students enrolled in those schools to attend a mandatory 90 additional minutes per day for five days per week or as otherwise scheduled, subject to reasonable waiver provisions to be developed by the Chief Executive Officer;

That the Board authorizes implementation of this initiative, beginning with up to 15 elementary schools in the 2010-11 school year (see Appendix A), using a phased approach to implementation as indicated therein:

That the Chief Executive Officer or his designees shall engage stakeholders in workshops and other meetings with parents, community organizations, and other school groups involved at the selected schools for the purpose of providing feedback on program implementation;

That the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to implement this Resolution, to formulate and issue guidelines to effectively implement the Additional Learning Opportunities initiative for the 2011-2012 school year and to revise or update guidelines as necessary for the effective implementation of this Resolution; and,

That the Chief Executive Officer will provide a status report to the Board on the implementation of the pilot program on or about the first of every other month during the 2010-2011 school year, beginning on November 1, 2010 and a summative report on or before June 30, 2011.

THEREFORE, this Resolution is hereby adopted by the members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago on August 25, 2010.

Appendix A

Phase	Area	School
1	9	Smyth
1	7	Ryerson
1	3	Leland
1	13	Chavez
1	13	Burke
2	13	Woodson South
2	9	Walsh
2	16	Mt. Vernon
2	9	Lawndale
2	3	Нау
2	7	Gregory
2	16	Fort Dearborn
2	16	Evers
2	3	Clark
2	7	Calhoun North