RESOLUTION APPROVING AN I-LEARNING PROGRAM FOR HIGH SCHOOLS

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 students to meet the State's proficient and advanced levels of student academic achievement; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to provide these opportunities through various programs and learning options; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to utilize individualized, online learning options that will meet the diverse needs of our students; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to provide online opportunities for enrichment, college readiness, and other non-credit bearing course work; and

WHEREAS, Board Policy 605.11, the Policy on Granting Credit toward High School Graduation For Courses Taken Through Internet-Based Delivery, authorizes students to earn credit for courses taken through an approved online course provider; and

WHEREAS, the Board intends to establish a program at all high schools entitled "I-Learning" which is defined as a program that offers online courses to CPS students that meet their individual learning needs.

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

That the Board authorizes online courses for the purpose of offering advanced learning opportunities, enriched learning options and credit-bearing courses, including credit recovery courses, in order to give students enrolled in high schools in the Chicago Public Schools an individualized learning path to meet graduation requirements and to achieve their personal education goals.

That the Board intends to make the I-Learning program available, based on funding and subject to applicable laws and regulations, to all high schools in the Chicago Public Schools.

That the goal of this program is to provide quality on-line credit and non-credit bearing course opportunities provided that such courses are appropriate to meet the needs of participating students or where a high school demonstrates a need to include I-Learning opportunities as part of the school's curriculum.

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