APPROVE THE PHASE-OUT OF THE DUSABLE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY CAMPUS OF THE BETTY SHABAZZ INTERNATIONAL CHARTER SCHOOL

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:

Approve the phase out of the DuSable Leadership Academy Campus of the Betty Shabazz International Charter School located at 4934 S. Wabash. Phase-out provisions will be included in the Charter School Agreement authorized under Board Report 13-0227-EX6. Information pertinent to this phase-out is stated below.

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CAMPUS EVALUATION: The DuSable Leadership Academy Campus ("DuSable Campus") is one of three campuses operated by the Betty Shabazz International Charter School under a charter school agreement with the Board (Board Reports 08-0602-EX4 and 09-0325-EX4). The Office of New Schools conducted a comprehensive evaluation of student performance at the DuSable Campus as part of its evaluation of the Betty Shabazz International Charter School's renewal proposal considered under Board Report 13-0227-EX6. From 2007-2008 to 2011-2012, the DuSable Campus received 12 out of 60 high ratings and 18 out of 60 middle ratings on the school absolute student indicators found in the framework put forth by the District for assessing charter school pupil performance. From 2007-2008 to 2011-2012, student attendance at the DuSable Campus averaged approximately 87.7%. In 2011-2012, the percentage of students meeting/exceeding state standards on the PSAE Composite at the DuSable Campus was 5.8%, a decrease of 5.2 percentage points from 2009-2010.

PHASE-OUT DESCRIPTION: Based on the DuSable Campus performance on these and other accountability criteria, the Office of New Schools recommends the phase out of the DuSable Campus. Beginning in the fall of 2013, the DuSable Campus will not accept any freshmen students. Students attending the campus during the 2012-2013 school year will be allowed to continue attending through the 12th grade, with the campus closing completely by June 30, 2016.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include relevant terms and conditions for the phase-out of the DuSable Campus in the written Charter School Agreement authorized under Board Report 13-0227-EX6.

Approved for Consideration:

Jack Elsey

Chief Officer of Innovation and Incubation

Approved:

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General Counsel