

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PARENT/FAMILY INVOLVEMENT AND RECOGNITION OF LOCAL SCHOOLS AWARDED PARENT/FAMILY INVOLVEMENT MINIGRANTS**

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the Chicago Public Schools' Children First Education Plan is to assure Chicago's public school students will be well prepared for the future, and

**WHEREAS**, findings from recent research cite that:

- When parents are involved in their children's education, those children have higher grades, better attendance, and complete homework more consistently, and
- When parent involvement activities are well planned, inclusive and comprehensive at all grade levels, there are long-lasting gains for all students, and

**WHEREAS**, on September 24, 1997 the Chicago Board of Education adopted a **Parent Involvement Resolution** (97-0924-RS5) to support the development, implementation, and regular evaluation of a parent involvement policy and program in every school which will involve parents at all grade levels in a variety of roles, and

**WHEREAS**, on April 24, 1996 the Chicago Board of Education adopted a **Resolution Approving the Formation of a PTA (Parent Teacher Association) Advisory Committee** (96-0424-RS5) to promote parent involvement in the Chicago Public Schools, and

**WHEREAS**, for the second year, the Office of the Deputy Chief Education Officer has continued the competitive parent/family involvement minigrant program and other parent/community partnerships using local funds and the assistance of volunteers from the PTA Advisory Committee to evaluate 127 applications.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO BOARD OF EDUCATION:**

- That the commitment to meaningful parent/family involvement continues to be encouraged in every Chicago public school, and
- That the following 14 schools who received parent/family involvement minigrants in March 2001 be recognized for their efforts to extend parent/family partnerships:

**Luther Burbank Elementary  
 Brighton Park Elementary  
 Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences  
 Farragut Career Academy  
 Robert Fulton Elementary  
 William G. Hibbard Elementary  
 Emil G. Hirsch Metropolitan High School  
 Jordan Community Academy  
 Lincoln Park High School  
 Joseph Lovett Elementary  
 Jackie R. Robinson Elementary  
 Hannah G. Solomon Elementary  
 George W. Tilton Elementary  
 Young Women's Leadership Charter School of Chicago**