

**RESOLUTION RE: HAZEL STEWARD  
RETIRED REGION THREE EDUCATION OFFICER**

**WHEREAS**, Hazel B. Steward has displayed the highest level of educational leadership for more than 32 years in the Chicago Public Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, she is a product of the Chicago Public Schools, graduating from Englewood High School; and

**WHEREAS**, she has served the children of Chicago as a librarian, chemistry and biology teacher, mathematics and science coordinator, assistant principal, principal, and region education officer; and

**WHEREAS**, as the Region Three Education Officer, she was responsible for providing leadership for 95 child/parent centers, elementary, and high schools, which serve more than 55,000 students; and

**WHEREAS**, her depth of knowledge and expertise often required her to either lecture or present workshops as diverse as new trends in curriculum, data analysis, keeping African America students in school, evaluation, grant writing, strategic planning, improving academic achievement, the role of the principal, crisis management, surviving probation, making changes that matter, building effective monitoring teams, and preparing and improving a winning science fair project; and

**WHEREAS**, Hazel Steward has written publications, which explore the intricacies of school-based management or provide guidance and understanding in developing drug prevention and self-awareness programs; and

**WHEREAS**, through her grantsmanship, she has been successful in developing and writing grants, which have brought millions of dollars in much needed funds to improve the education of students in the Chicago Public Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, her untiring efforts on behalf of our children has caused her to receive accolades of recognition from a host of educators and community organizations: United Way Bronze Award, Outstanding Services from Lutheran Social Services, Educator of the Year from Phi Delta Kappan, CPS Region education Officers Award from One Church, African American women Educators Award from Delta Kappa Gamma society, Those Who Excel from the State of Illinois, Kathy Osterman Award from the City of Chicago, Outstanding Leadership Award from the Chicago Principals Association, and the Outstanding Service Award from Congressman Danny Davis; and

**WHEREAS**, having a firm belief that a teacher must be knowledgeable, fair, firm, uplifting, visionary, and a risk taker, Hazel Steward has embodied that belief as she undertook increasing responsibilities within the Chicago Public Schools.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2001, do hereby extend to Hazel Steward our heartfelt congratulations upon her retirement, and offer her our sincerest wishes for continued good fortune, health, and prosperity, as well as our gratitude for her many contributions to the education, welfare, and development of the children of Chicago.