

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION TO IMPLEMENT THE SKILL BUILDERS CHICAGO TRADE PREPARATION PROGRAM AND IDENTIFYING FUND FOR SAID PURPOSE

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the City of Chicago (the "Board") has assigned to the Public Building Commission of Chicago (the "Commission") the following five projects: the Andrew Carnegie Addition, the New National Teacher Academy, the Jones High School Renovation, the Chicago Military Academy Addition, and the New Davis-Shield School (collectively, the "Projects"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Master Intergovernmental Agreement, dated February 24, 1999, between the Board and the Commission, each of the Projects has been assigned to the Commission pursuant to a Project Notification, which among other things sets forth the budget for each of the particular Projects as well as the source of funds therefore; and

WHEREAS, it was the intention of the Commission and the Board, in connection with each of the Projects, to implement a program called Skill Builders Chicago Trade Preparation Program (the Skills Builder Program"); and

WHEREAS, the Skill Builders Program is a joint effort of the Commission, the City of Chicago, the Chicago and Cook County Building and Construction Trade Council, the City Colleges of Chicago, the Mayor's Office of Workforce Development, and community-based organizations, having the goal of increasing the number of Chicago residents in the building and construction trades; and

WHEREAS, although the Skill Builders Program's goal is not unique, its approach and design is of particular interest to the Board because it is a one-of-a-kind program in that it provides support and training to students beginning prior to their entry into an apprenticeship program until employment on a job site; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds it to be in the best interest of the School District, its students and the residents of the City of Chicago to support the Skill Builder Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Board hereby elects to participate in the Skill Builders Program, and the Commission is hereby requested to take the necessary steps to participate in and implement the Skill Builders Program on behalf of the Board in connection with the Projects
2. The Board hereby authorizes the necessary expenditure for its participation in the Skill Builders Program in connection with the Projects. The amount authorized for this purpose shall come from solely the Contractor Liquidated Damages Fund that the Board and the Commission have established in connection with each Project, provided that, in no event, shall the amount expended for this purpose exceed 5% of the total construction budget of a Project.
3. The Chief Operating Officer and the Chief Fiscal Officer are hereby authorized to execute and deliver, on behalf of the Board, all necessary expenditures for the Skill Builders Program to the Commission.
4. This resolution is effective immediately upon its adoption.