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**RESOLUTION RE: RICHARD PARKER
RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF THE OFFICE OF INSTRUCTION AND SCHOOL MANAGEMENT**

WHEREAS, after 35 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children of the City of Chicago, Richard Parker has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his retirement, Richard Parker worked in the Office of Instruction and School Management; and

WHEREAS, Richard Parker began his career with the Chicago Public Schools as a teacher at the McCorkle Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Richard Parker also served as a coordinator in the Office of Program Development/Alternative Schools and as staff assistant for the Equal Educational Opportunities Project-Student Desegregation, and Dean of Freshmen at Harper High School and assistant principal at Harper High School going on to become a principal in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Richard Parker is an experienced and dedicated educator who is widely respected and acknowledged for his professional expertise and personal approach with students and parents; and

WHEREAS, Richard Parker will be greatly missed by the staff of the Office of Instruction and School Management.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 23rd day of June, 2004, do hereby extend to Richard Parker our heartiest congratulations upon his retirement, and offer to him our sincerest and best wishes for good fortune and prosperity, as well as our gratitude for his contributions to the education and development of the children of Chicago.