

February 23, 2005

**RESOLUTION RE: WALTER PAYTON COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL  
WINNERS OF THE PUBLIC LEAGUE'S 2004 16 INCH SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, Walter Payton College Prep High School culminated the 2004 16 Inch Softball season by winning the Chicago Public Schools 16 Inch Softball Championship on October 26, 2004 at University of Chicago; and,

**WHEREAS**, the members of the 16 Inch Softball team worked together as a cohesive unit and demonstrated excellence, tenacity, dedication and superior prowess; and,

**WHEREAS**, the superb performance of the team members reflect the excellent training and support received from the Principal, Gail Ward, Head Coach, Valerie Gemske, Assistant Coach, Jan Roberts and Athletic Director, Thomas Cook; and,

**WHEREAS**, the poise and good sportsmanship of the members of the team throughout the season earned the admiration of all and reflects positively upon the school, community and 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2005, do hereby commend the Walter Payton Grizzlies for the memorable achievement of winning the Public League's 2004 Championship.