

July 27, 2005

**RESOLUTION HONORING JOHN J. FRANTZ,
CHIEF LABOR RELATIONS OFFICER**

WHEREAS, after thirty years of faithful and dedicated service, John J. Frantz has retired from the Chicago Public Schools ("CPS"); and

WHEREAS, John J. Frantz received a Bachelor of Arts from Loyola University and a Master of the Arts Degree in Special Education from Northeastern Illinois University. In 1997, he earned a Doctor of Education degree in Education Administration from Northern Illinois University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Frantz began his career with the Chicago Public Schools in 1975 as a teacher at Montefiore Special School; and in 1979, became a Coordinator of Special Education for District 18; and

WHEREAS, from 1986 to 1996, John J. Frantz served as the Principal of Sutherland Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, Dr. Frantz was appointed Director of the Department of Teacher Accountability for the Chicago Public Schools and in 1999 he was appointed Chief Officer of the Office of Curriculum, Instruction and Professional Development. As Chief Officer, he was responsible for the overall administration and oversight of six departments: Curriculum; Instruction for Literacy and Social Science; Instruction for Math, Science and Physical Education; Libraries and Information Services; Teachers' Academy for Professional Development; and the Administrators Academy; and

WHEREAS, John J. Frantz served as Special Assistant to the Chief Education Officer, co-directing the Office of Planning and Development and serving as the education manager for the Charter School Office; and

WHEREAS, since 2002, John J. Frantz has served as Chief Labor Relations Officer, serving as the senior advisor to the Board of Education, Chief Executive Officer and senior staff on labor relations. As Chief Labor Relations Officer, John J. Frantz oversaw the administration of the seven labor contracts in the Chicago Public Schools and managed the negotiation process for the 2003 agreements; and

WHEREAS, John J. Frantz's commitment and tireless effort to improving the Chicago Public Schools will leave a lasting impact throughout our schools and communities; and

WHEREAS, John J. Frantz is recognized as a leader, pioneer, advocate, mentor and friend.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 27th day of July, 2005, do hereby extend to Dr. John J. Frantz our thanks for his service and offer our most sincere gratitude for his contributions to the school system and the children of the City of Chicago.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be made available to Dr. John J. Frantz.