

**RESOLUTION RE: DR. MIGUEL ANGEL VELAZQUEZ
RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF THE ELI WHITNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, after 23 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children of the City of Chicago, Dr. Miguel A. Velazquez has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his retirement, Dr. Miguel A. Velazquez was the principal of the Eli Whitney Elementary School, located in the "Little Village Neighborhood" of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miguel A. Velazquez began his career with the Chicago Public Schools as an ESL Resource Teacher at Tilden Technical High School; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miguel A. Velazquez also served as a disciplinarian at Jose de Diego Community Academy, Assistant Principal at Roque de Duprey, Interim Principal at Charles Darwin Elementary School and, as Assistant Principal at A.N. Pritzker Elementary School, going on to become the principal at Eli Whitney Elementary School in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miguel A. Velazquez 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, Dr. Miguel A. Velazquez will be greatly missed by the students and faculty of the Eli Whitney Elementary School,

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 June 2007, do hereby extend to Dr. Miguel A. Velazquez our heartiest congratulations upon his retirement as a Principal, 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.