

August 22, 2018

**RESOLUTION HONORING ALAN W. MATHER
CHIEF OF COLLEGE AND CAREER SUCCESS – CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, after serving the Chicago Public Schools for 32 years with faithful service and dedication, Alan W. Mather will retire from the Chicago Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his retirement Alan Mather was the Chief of College and Career Success at CPS, the third largest school district with 371,000 students; and

WHEREAS, Alan Mather has also served as Principal of Lindblom Math and Science Academy, Assistant Principal of Northside College Preparatory and Teacher at Farragut High School; and

WHEREAS, as Chief of College and Career Success, Alan Mather helped launch several critical programs and initiatives at CPS, including competency-based learning, Chicago Builds, new Early College STEM Schools, helped pass the Computer Science for All and Learn. Plan. Succeed requirements which help ensure that our seniors graduate on the path to success in college and career; and

WHEREAS, Alan Mather is a gifted educator and administrator in Chicago Public Schools, and was the first recipient of the Stanley C. Golder Award for School Leadership; and

WHEREAS, in all of his roles with Chicago Public Schools, Alan Mather sought to work with schools, networks and communities to ensure that every student at every grade level is provided individualized supports and opportunities to keep them engaged, on-track and accelerating toward success in college, career, and civic life; and

WHEREAS, Alan Mather has garnered national and international respect within the education ecosystem; he launched the District's first non-heritage Arabic program, and the Center for Excellence in Coding at Lane Tech; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career with Chicago Public Schools, Alan Mather looked to support student and teacher excellence, work within the community, and innovate, serving as an advocate who would help them reach their goals despite obstacles; and

WHEREAS, Alan Mather will be remembered as a dedicated servant of the students and families of Chicago, and proved time and again that students can and will meet and exceed the expectations that are set for them; and

WHEREAS, Alan Mather will be greatly missed by colleagues and friends at the Chicago Public Schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Board President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, this 22nd day of August 2018, do hereby extend to Alan W. Mather our heartiest congratulations upon his retirement and offer our gratitude for his contributions to the education of the children of Chicago.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be made available to Alan W. Mather.