

**RESOLUTION RE: VALERIE J. BRATTON
RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF THE CHARLES H. WACKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, after 37 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children of the City of Chicago, Valerie J. Bratton has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his retirement, Valerie J. Bratton was the principal of the Charles H. Wacker Elementary School, located on the south side of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Valerie J. Bratton began his career with the Chicago Public Schools as a Teacher at the James Monroe Elementary school; and

WHEREAS, Valerie J. Bratton also served as teacher and as a reading coordinator and assistant principal, going on to become the principal in 1996 at Charles H. Wacker Elementary School.

WHEREAS, Valerie J. Bratton 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, Valerie J. Bratton will be greatly missed by the students and faculty of the Charles H. Wacker 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 23rd day of June, 2010 do hereby extend to Valerie J. Bratton our heartiest congratulations upon (his/her) 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.