

March 26, 2003

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CHANGE AND IMPROVEMENT
IN FUNDING FOR ILLINOIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Article 34 of the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, the City of Chicago, Illinois constitutes one school district, which is a body politic and corporate by the name of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board"); and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that school funding in the State of Illinois is inadequate to meet the standard of high quality education for all students; and

WHEREAS, the Board is desirous of having this long standing inequitable, inadequate process of funding rectified as expeditiously as possible;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The preambles of this Resolution are hereby incorporated into this text as if set out herein in full.

Section 2. The Board supports no less than the Recommendations for Systemic Reform of Funding for Elementary and Secondary Education in Illinois as prepared by the Education Funding Advisory Board ("EFAB") in October 2002.

Section 3. The Chief Executive Officer is authorized and directed to provide EFAB, the Illinois State Board of Education, the Illinois General Assembly, the Illinois Governor's Office, and any other responsible organization relevant to effectuating the needed changes in State school funding with any necessary information to support the determinations of the Board contained herein.

Section 4. This Resolution is effective immediately upon its adoption.