

**RESOLUTION RE: JO MARIE COOPER
RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF THE OGLESBY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, after 34 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children of the City of Chicago, Jo Marie Cooper has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, at the time of her retirement, Jo Marie Cooper was the principal of the Oglesby Elementary School, located on the south side of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Jo Marie Cooper began her career with the Chicago Public Schools as a primary teacher at the Oglesby school; and

WHEREAS, Jo Marie Cooper also served as a resource teacher and as an instructional administrator and dean of students, going on to become the principal in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Jo Marie Cooper is an experienced and dedicated educator who is widely respected and acknowledged for her professional expertise and personal approach with students and parents; and

WHEREAS, Jo Marie Cooper will be greatly missed by the students and faculty of the Oglesby 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 23rd day of June, 2004, do hereby extend to Jo Marie Cooper our heartiest congratulations upon her retirement as a Principal, and offer to her our sincerest and best wishes for good fortune and prosperity, as well as our gratitude for her contributions to the education and development of the children of Chicago.