

**RESOLUTION RE: CONNIE THOMAS
RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF THE WILLIAM BROWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, after 33 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children of the City of Chicago, Connie Thomas has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, at the time of her retirement, Connie Thomas was the principal of the William Brown Elementary School, located on the north side of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Connie Thomas began her career with the Chicago Public Schools as a teacher at the Ronald Brown school; and

WHEREAS, Connie Thomas also served as an afro-centric curriculum writer and as principal at Poe Classical in 1989 then as an assistant principal at DuBois School, going on to become the principal at William Brown in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Connie Thomas 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, Connie Thomas will be greatly missed by the students and faculty of the William Brown 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 22nd day of September, 2004, do hereby extend to Connie Thomas 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.