

**RESOLUTION HONORING AUDREY COOPER-STANTON, CHIEF OFFICER,  
OFFICE OF LITERACY**

**WHEREAS**, after thirty-seven years of faithful and dedicated service, Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton will retire from the Chicago Public Schools ("CPS"); and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton was born in Chicago, Illinois and attended James McCosh Elementary School and Englewood High School. Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton received her Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Southern Illinois University, her Masters in Elementary Education from Roosevelt University and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Education Leadership and Policy Studies from Loyola University; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton began her career with the Chicago Public Schools in 1969 as a teacher at John C. Haines Elementary School. After serving as a teacher at Suder Elementary, John Drake Elementary and Victor Herbert School, in 1978, Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton became the ESEA Reading Chapter 1 District Coordinator; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1990, Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton became principal of Charles Evans Hughes Elementary and in 1995, Region Three Administrator; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2002, Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton was appointed Area 17 Instruction Officer overseeing the educational and instructional needs of more than 30 elementary schools on the city's south side. In 2004, Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton was appointed Chief Officer of the Office of Literacy; and

**WHEREAS**, as Chief Officer, Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton managed all elements of the district's literacy program, providing the leadership to support the Office of Literacy's mission to implement a framework for high quality literacy instruction that meets the diverse needs of all students; and

**WHEREAS**, Audrey Cooper-Stanton has been recognized for her leadership in education with such awards as the Chicago Public Schools Principal of Excellence Award, Institute for Culture Understanding Leadership in Education Award, Northeastern Illinois University Phi Delta Kappa Educator of the Year Award and Englewood High School Alumni Premier Hall of Fame Award; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton is recognized as an educator, leader, colleague, and friend; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton's devotion, commitment and firm determination to improve the quality of education for countless Chicago Public Schools' students has been invaluable.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2006, do hereby extend to Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton our thanks for her service and offer our most sincere gratitude for her contributions to the school system and the children of the City of Chicago.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this resolution be made available to Dr. Audrey Cooper-Stanton.