

**APPROVE THE RENAMING OF THE NEAR NORTH SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTER TO NEAR
NORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the renaming of the current Near North Special Education Center School located at 739 N. Ada St. Chicago, Il. 60622 to **Near North Elementary School**.

DESCRIPTION: Presently, this facility is known as Near North Special Education Center located at 739 N. Ada St. Chicago, Il. 60622. The Local School Council desires a name change to remove the stigma that accompanies attending a school where "Special Education" is included in the name. Staff and students came to the Local School Council last school year and requested that we rename our school leaving the special education out of our school name. The Local School Council recommends, in order of preference, the following proposed name changes:

1. Near North Elementary School
2. Near North School
3. North Elementary

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: The Local School Council of the Near North Special Education Center school approved this action on November 13, 2007.

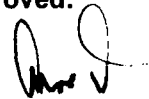
FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board at this time.

Approved for Consideration:



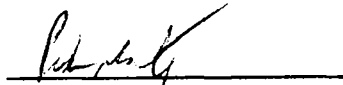
Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

Approved:



Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Pedro Martinez
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel 