

**RESOLUTION RE: DR. JOANN THOMAS WOODS  
RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF BEST HIGH SCHOOL**

**WHEREAS**, after 34 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children of the City of Chicago, Dr. JoAnn Thomas Woods has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

**WHEREAS**, at the time of her retirement, Dr. Woods was a Principal at the BEST High School on the Bowen Campus School, located on the south side of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Woods began her career with the Chicago Public Schools as a teacher at the South Shore High School; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Woods also served as a high and elementary school teacher and as Reading Specialist and Coach and as Assistant Principal at the elementary and high School Level, going on to become Principal of BEST High School and Interim Chief Officer of Education - to - Careers; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. JoAnn Thomas Woods 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**, Dr. Woods will be greatly missed by the students and faculty of the BEST High 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 25th day of June 2008, do hereby extend to Dr. JoAnn Thomas Woods 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.