

June 23, 2010

**RESOLUTION RE: GWENDOLYN MIMS
RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF THE SOUTHSIDE OCCUPATIONAL ACADEMY**

WHEREAS, after 35 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children of the City of Chicago, Gwendolyn Mims has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, at the time of her retirement, she was the principal of the Southside Occupational Academy, located on the south side of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, she began her career with the Chicago Public Schools as a teacher at the McKinley Upper Grade Center; and

WHEREAS, Gwendolyn Mims also served as teacher at Dorso Special Education Center and assistant principal at Montefiore Special School, going on to become the principal in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Gwendolyn Mims 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, Gwendolyn Mims will be greatly missed by the students and faculty of the Southside Occupational Academy.

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, 2010 do hereby extend to Gwendolyn Mims 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.