### PHASE OUT AND CLOSE CRISPUS ATTUCKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE AREA OF LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

#### THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective June 30, 2015, the Chicago Board of Education close Crispus Attucks Elementary School (School ID 609781) ("Attucks"), located at 5055 South State Street, Chicago, Illinois, for space utilization reasons, reassign returning Attucks students to Ludwig Van Beethoven Elementary School (School ID 610237) ("Beethoven"), located at 25 West 47<sup>th</sup> Street, Chicago, Illinois, and that the attendance area of Beethoven be adjusted to include the Attucks attendance area.

### **DESCRIPTION:**

Pursuant to the Illinois School Code Sections 34-200 through 34-232, the Chief Executive Officer's Guidelines for School Actions, and the Board of Education's Policy on the Review and Establishment of School Attendance Boundaries, 05-0622-PO1, the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Chicago Public Schools may recommend the closing of schools and the adjustment of school attendance boundaries.

Pursuant to legal requirements, two community meetings were convened on April 9, 2013, and April 13, 2013, at Dunbar High School, located at 3000 South King Drive, Chicago, Illinois, and a public hearing was convened on April 18, 2013 at 125 South Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, following the issuance of proper notice. An independent hearing officer received oral and written comments and supporting documents at the hearing and kept the record open after the meeting to receive additional written comments or documentation. A transcript of the hearing and summaries of the community meetings have been provided to the Board. The hearing officer reported that the CEO's proposal met the requirements of the law and summarized comments and written documentation received. After receiving the hearing officer's report, the CEO has decided to recommend that the Board close Attucks effective June 30, 2015, reassign Attucks' returning students to Beethoven effective June 30, 2015, and assign Attucks' attendance area to Beethoven as noted below.

## Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of Crispus Attucks Elementary School (School ID 609781)

5055 South State Street, Chicago, Illinois Effective June 30, 2013, for grades first through eighth; Effective June 30, 2014, for grades second through eighth;

Beginning at the Dan Ryan Expy and 35th St
East to Indiana Ave
South to 36th St
West to Michigan Ave
South to 37th St
West to State St
South to 40th St
East to Indiana Ave
South to 41st St
East to Prairie Ave
South to 42nd St
West to State St
South to 43rd St
West to the Dan Ryan Expy
North to the starting point

Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of Ludwig Van Beethoven Elementary School (School ID 610237)

245 West 57sth Street, Chicago, Illinois Effective June 30, 2013, for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Beginning at the Dan Ryan Expy and 43rd St

East to State St

North to 42<sup>nd</sup> St

East to Prairie Ave

South to 43<sup>rd</sup> St

West to Indiana Ave

South to 45<sup>th</sup> St

West to State St

South to 49th St

East to Wabash Ave

South to 51st St

East to Michigan Ave

South to Garfield Blvd

West to the Dan Ryan Expy

North to the starting point

# Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of Ludwig Van Beethoven Elementary School (School ID 610237)

245 West 57sth Street, Chicago, Illinois

Effective June 30, 2013, for grade Kindergarten;

Effective June 30, 2014, for grades Kindergarten and first;

Effective June 30, 2015 for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Beginning at the Dan Ryan Expy and 35th St

East to Indiana Ave

South to 36th St

West to Michigan Ave

South to 37th St

West to State St

South to 40th St

East to Indiana Ave

South to 41st St

East to Prairie Ave

South to 42nd St West to State St

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South to 43rd St

West to the Dan Ryan Expy

North to the starting point

**LSC IMPLICATIONS:** Attucks' Local School Council will be dissolved effective June 30, 2015, upon the closing of Attucks.

**FINANCIAL:** The financial implications associated with this school action will be addressed during the development of the fiscal year 2014 budget. Since the School Code of Illinois prohibits the incurring of any liability unless an appropriation has been previously made, expenditures beyond FY13 are deemed to be contingent liabilities only, subject to appropriation in subsequent fiscal year budgets.

**PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS:** The employment status of all faculty and staff members currently assigned to the schools affected by this authorization will be determined pursuant to Board policies and any collective bargaining agreements.

**Approved for Consideration:** 

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

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Approved as to Legal Form:

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