RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO REGARDING THE DISMISSAL OF JONATHAN BROOKS, TENURED TEACHER, ASSIGNED TO JOHN HARVEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 34-85 of the Illinois School Code, 105 ICS 5/34-85, a hearing was conducted before an impartial hearing officer, Vicki Peterson Cohen, appointed by the Illinois State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, after the conclusion of the dismissal hearing afforded to Jonathan Brooks, the Hearing Officer made written findings of fact and conclusions of law, and recommended the discharge of Mr. Brooks; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the City of Chicago has reviewed the post-hearing briefs and hearing transcript and exhibits ("record"), along with the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation of Hearing Officer Cohen regarding the dismissal charges preferred against Jonathan Brooks; and

WHEREAS, the parties were given an opportunity to submit exceptions and a memorandum of law in support of or in opposition to the Board's adoption of Hearing Officer Cohen's recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the City of Chicago accepts the findings and conclusions of the hearing officer, and finds that the record establishes facts that constitute cause for dismissal of Mr. Brooks.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, as follows:

Section 1: After considering (a) the Hearing Officer’s findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendation, (b) the record of the dismissal hearing, and (c) any exceptions and memoranda of law submitted by the parties, the Board of Education of the City of Chicago accepts the Hearing Officer’s findings and recommendation.

Section 2: Jonathan Brooks is hereby dismissed from his employment with the Board of Education of the City of Chicago effective May 22, 2013.

Section 3: This Resolution shall take full force and effect upon its adoption.

THEREFORE, this Resolution is hereby adopted by the members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago on May 22, 2013.