

February 24, 2016

CLOSE MOSES MONTEFIORE SPECIALTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective July 1, 2016, the Chicago Board of Education close Moses Montefiore Specialty Elementary School (School ID 610075) ("Montefiore"), located at 1310 South Ashland Avenue due to having zero students enrolled on the 20th day of enrollment, October 5, 2015. Because Montefiore has zero students enrolled there is no designated welcoming-school. Montefiore is a citywide school with no attendance area boundary.

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to Illinois School Code Sections 34-200 through 34-230 and the Chief Executive Officer's Guidelines for School Actions, 2015 – 2016 School Year, the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Chicago Public Schools may recommend to the Board the closure of schools.

Pursuant to legal requirements, two community meetings were held on January 7, 2016 and January 11, 2016 at Phoenix Military Academy, located at 145 South Campbell Avenue, and a public hearing was convened on January 27, 2016 at 42 West Madison Street 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 hearing to receive additional 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 documentation received. After receiving the hearing officer's report, the CEO has decided to recommend that the Board authorize the closure of Montefiore.

LSC IMPLICATIONS: The Montefiore LSC will be dissolved at the end of the current school year, June 30, 2016.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The financial impact of this authorization will be addressed during the development of the fiscal 2017 budget. Because the Illinois School Code prohibits the incurring of any liability unless an appropriation has been previously made, expenditures beyond fiscal year 2016 are considered contingent liabilities only, subject to appropriation in subsequent fiscal year budgets.

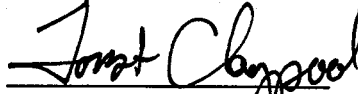
PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: The employment status of any employees at the school affected by this authorization will be determined pursuant to Board policies and any collective bargaining agreements.

Approved for Consideration:



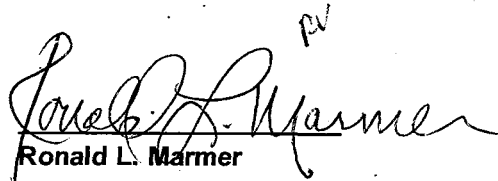
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Respectfully Submitted:



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Approved as to legal form:



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