AUTHORIZE THE NAMING OF SOUTHWEST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO SOR JUANA INÉS DE LA CRUZ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That the Chicago Board of Education approve the naming of the Southwest Elementary School to Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz Elementary School.

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to the Policy on the Naming or Renaming of Schools, Board Report 03-0326-PO04:

- I. With respect to the recommendation to adopt Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz Elementary School as the school name please note the following:
 - a. At the December 6, 2017 Board Meeting, the Chicago Board of Education approved the establishment and opening of the Southwest Elementary School (Board Report 17-1206-EX3) and delineated that a formal school name would be assigned by the Board prior to June 30, 2018.
 - b. Members of the Southwest Community:
 - Conducted one community meeting on February 21, 2018 at the Balzekas Museum of Lithuanian Culture and received input in favor of naming the school Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz Elementary School.
 - Held an additional community meeting on March 14, 2018 at the Balzekas Museum of Lithuanian Culture and the meeting attendants debated several different names including "Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz." A majority of the meeting attendees voted in favor of naming the school Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz.
 - The Network 8 Chief of Schools recommended this official name to the Chief Executive Officer.

FINANCIAL: Not applicable

Approved for Consideration:

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Respectfully Submitted:

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