

June 26, 2019

**RESOLUTION RE: NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION  
RECOGNITION – CLASS OF 2018**

**WHEREAS**, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, organized in 1987, is comprised of teachers, school policy makers, union leaders, teacher educators and other scholars and legislators whose goal is to maintain high and rigorous standards for accomplished teachers; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards has developed and operates a national voluntary system to assess and certify teachers who meet these standards, and to recognize teachers who demonstrate the highest levels of competency; and

**WHEREAS**, teachers who voluntarily submit to and successfully complete the rigorous multi-year National Board Certification process earn the Illinois National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Endorsement, a nationally recognized credential symbolizing that they have exceeded standard expectations; and

**WHEREAS**, in partnership with the *Nurturing Teacher Leadership* program of the Chicago Teachers Union, CPS teachers seeking National Board Certification receive support, program management, mentoring and professional development; and

**WHEREAS**, a total of fourteen Chicago Public Schools teachers have earned this certificate in December of 2018, exemplifying the goals and standards that this Board of Education encourages all teachers to emulate;

**WHEREAS**, the fourteen National Board Certified Teachers – Class of 2018 are:

Lisa Anderson  
Menyett Baker  
Anna Deters  
Heather Dunfee  
Neil Farlow  
Jessica General  
Justin Huang

Jennifer Jones  
Heather Morrison  
Rachel Nicholas  
Elisabeth O'Keefe  
Lorraine Platek  
Jonathan Reiman  
Caitlin Stich

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 2019, commend all fourteen teachers for their commitment to high and rigorous teaching standards and for receiving National Board Certification.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this resolution be made available to the fourteen teachers who have achieved National Board Certification.