RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NINETEEN APPROVED INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, the Chicago Public Schools in 1999 created a prospective International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme to offer students academically enriched educational opportunities at their neighborhood elementary school and partnered them with an International Baccalaureate Diplomma Programme high school; and

WHEREAS, for the 2003-2004 school year, over 2,842 students are enrolled in 23 International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programmes across the city; and

WHEREAS, the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programmes serve a racially diverse neighborhood student population; and

WHEREAS, data have shown that International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme students perform at a much higher level than the general local school population and the program has positively enhanced the academic atmosphere at the schools; and

WHEREAS, the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme influences all students in the local school to develop effective study skills, to engage in community service, and to explore the academic world; and

WHEREAS, the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme increases the expectations of all teachers, students, and parents at the local elementary and high school; and

WHEREAS, the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme increases parental involvement at the local school; and

WHEREAS, the Chicago Public Schools offers more International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme partnerships than any school district in the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO recognizes this achievement at the following eight fully authorized International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme partnerships that include 19 schools:

AUTHORIZED INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME SCHOOLS

Amundsen High School / McPherson Elementary School

Bogan High School / Marquette Elementary School

Clark Academic Preparatory High School

Hyde Park High School / Carnegie Elementary School

Morgan Park High School / Barnard, Clissold, Esmond, Kellogg, Sutherland

Steinmetz High School / Douglass Middle School

Taft High School / Wildwood Elementary School

Washington High School / Marsh Elementary School