RESOLUTION HONORING RUTH M. MOSCOVITCH GENERAL COUNSEL TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

WHEREAS, after almost two years of faithful and dedicated service, Ruth M. Moscovitch will resign from the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board"); and

WHEREAS, as General Counsel for the district, Ruth Moscovitch was responsible for the oversight of both litigation and client counseling with regard to all matters in which the Board or the Chicago Public Schools has a legal interest. This supervision included, but was not limited to, labor and employment matters, employee and student discipline, contracts and other commercial transactions, real estate, personal injury, workers' compensation, school law, school finance and funding, and any additional legal issues that arise in the course of the day-to-day operation of the Chicago Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, Ruth Moscovitch renegotiated the twenty-year-old desegregation consent decree reinforcing the Chicago Public Schools' commitment to creating and maintaining as many integrated schools and programs as possible; and

WHEREAS, as General Counsel, Ruth Moscovitch was integral in the drafting, modification and approval of countless Board policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Moscovitch collaborated with key stakeholders, parents, local leaders and community organizations to ensure that the Chicago Public Schools continues to offer appropriate educational opportunities to all students, including those students with disabilities and students who participate in the Chicago Public Schools' homeless education program; and

WHEREAS, with integrity and insight, Ruth Moscovitch advised the Board and the Chicago Public Schools on countless governance, contracts, litigation, policy, and compliance matters; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Moscovitch's commitment and tireless effort to improving the Chicago Public Schools will leave a lasting impact throughout our schools and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 23rd day of February, 2005, do hereby extend to Ruth M. Moscovitch our thanks for her service and offer our most sincere gratitude for her contributions to the school system and the children of the City of Chicago.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be made available to Ruth M. Moscovitch.