

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING FOR ACQUISITION THE PROPERTY
BOUNDED BY CERMAK, LAFLIN, 21ST PLACE AND LOOMIS
FOR THE EXPANSION OF BENITO JUAREZ HIGH SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the City of Chicago (the "Board") is a body corporate and politic organized and existing under and by virtue of the provisions of the School Code, 105 ILCS 5/34-1 *et seq.*, as amended (the "Code"); and

WHEREAS, the Board exercises general supervision and jurisdiction over the establishment and maintenance of public schools and other educational facilities of the Board including playgrounds and other recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the property described in Exhibit A is required for school and other educational and recreational purposes, specifically the expansion of Benito Juarez High School; and

WHEREAS, Section 5/34-20 of the Code authorizes the acquisitions of title to real estate, by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, for school purposes, such title to be held for the use and benefit of the Board in the name of the City of Chicago in Trust for the Use of Schools; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary, desirable, useful and advantageous, and in the best interests of the citizens of the City of Chicago, to acquire the property more fully described in Exhibit A for school and other educational and recreational purposes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the City of Chicago as follows:

1. It is necessary, desirable, useful and advantageous, and in the public interest to acquire fee simple title to, and possession of, the property described in Exhibit A for school and other educational and recreational purposes.
2. The Board hereby designates and approves for acquisition the real property described in Exhibit A for school and other educational and recreational purposes.
3. The Board further authorizes and directs General Counsel or his designee, for and on behalf of the Board, to negotiate with the owner or owners of such property for the purchase of the real property as described in Exhibit A.
4. If an agreement can be reached with the owner or owners of such property, authorization is hereby granted to purchase such property, subject however, to final approval of a written agreement to purchase such property by the Board.
5. In the event that the negotiations for the purchase of such real property fail, then title to and possession of such real property may be acquired by the Board through condemnation. Upon Board authorization, General Counsel is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to institute proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction to acquire title to and possession of the property described on Exhibit A in accordance with the eminent domain laws and procedures of the State and in the manner provided by Article VII of the Code of Civil Procedure.
6. This resolution is effective immediately upon its adoption.

EXHIBIT A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

LOTS 1, 2, 3, AND 4 IN BLOCK 14 OF H. L. LEWIS= SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 14 IN JOHNSTON & LEE'S SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 39, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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COMMON ADDRESS:

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COMMON BOUNDARIES:

CERMAK ROAD ON THE SOUTH, LAFLIN AVENUE ON THE WEST, 21ST PLACE ON THE NORTH AND LOOMIS ON THE EAST.