RESOLUTION RE: CLIFTON BURGESS RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF THE VON STEUBEN HIGH SCHOOL

WHEREAS, after 37 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children of the City of Chicago, Clifton Burgess has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his retirement, Clifton Burgess was the principal of the Von Steuben High School, located on the north side of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Clifton Burgess began his career with the Chicago Public Schools as a teacher at the Kinzie School; and

WHEREAS, Clifton Burgess also served as a teacher and as assistant principal at the Newberry Elementary School and later becoming the principal of Newberry Math and Science Academy. Additionally, Mr. Burgess served as a district administrator and as the director of the Chicago Systemic Mathematic and Science Initiative, going on to become the principal in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Clifton Burgess is an experienced and dedicated educator who is widely respected and acknowledged for his professional expertise and personal approach with students and parents; and

WHEREAS, Clifton Burgess will be greatly missed by the students and faculty of the Von Steuben High School.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 28th day of June, 2006, do hereby extend to Clifton Burgess our heartiest congratulations upon his retirement as a Principal, and offer to him our sincerest and best wishes for good fortune and prosperity, as well as our gratitude for his contributions to the education and development of the children of Chicago.