RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO REGARDING THE DISMISSAL OF WENDELL ELLISON, TENURED TEACHER, ASSIGNED TO FIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 34-85 of the Illinois School Code, 105 ILCS 5/34-85, a hearing was conducted before an impartial hearing officer, Fredrick R. Dichter, appointed by the Illinois State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, after the conclusion of the dismissal hearing afforded Wendell Ellison, the hearing officer made written findings of fact and conclusions of law, and recommended the dismissal of Wendell Ellison; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the City of Chicago has reviewed the post-hearing briefs and hearing transcript and exhibits ("record"), along with the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation of Hearing Officer Dichter regarding the dismissal charges preferred against Wendell Ellison; and

WHEREAS, the parties were given an opportunity to submit exceptions and a memorandum of law in support of or in opposition to the Board's adoption of Hearing Officer Dichter's recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the City of Chicago finds that the facts constitute cause and grounds for Wendell Ellison's dismissal; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago that Wendell Ellison be dismissed:

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, as follows:

Section 1: After considering (a) the hearing officer's findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation, (b) the record of the dismissal hearing, and (c) any exceptions and memorandum of law submitted by the parties, the Board of Education of the

City of Chicago adopts the recommendation of the hearing officer, except as noted in the Board's Opinion and Order adopted under separate cover.

Section 2: Wendell Ellison is hereby dismissed from his employment with the Board of

Education of the City of Chicago.

Section 3: This Resolution shall take full force and effect upon its adoption.

THEREFORE, this Resolution is hereby adopted/rejected by the members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago on August 27, 2008, and in connection with an Opinion and Order that is adopted under separate cover.