

June 22, 2005

**RESOLUTION RE: RITA C. GARDNER
RETIRED PRINCIPAL OF THE SHIELDS SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, after 34 years of faithful and dedicated service to the public school children

of the City of Chicago, Rita C. Gardner has retired from the Chicago Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, at the time of her retirement, Rita C. Gardner was the principal of the Shields School, located on the south side of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Rita C. Gardner began her career with the Chicago Public Schools as a teacher at Gresham School; and

WHEREAS, Rita C. Gardner also served as a counselor at Simeon High School, going on to become a principal in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Rita C. Gardner is an experienced and dedicated educator who is widely respected and acknowledged for her professional expertise and personal approach with students and parents; and

WHEREAS, Rita C. Gardner will be greatly missed by the students and faculty.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the President and Members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 22nd day of June, 2005, do hereby extend to Rita C. Gardner our heartiest congratulations upon her retirement as a Principal, and offer to her our sincerest and best wishes for good fortune and prosperity, as well as our gratitude for her contributions to the education and development of the children of Chicago.

