

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES AT BEGINNING OF FISCAL YEAR 2005

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 34-43 of The Illinois School Code (the "Code"), the Chicago Board of Education of the City of Chicago (the "Board") is required to adopt an annual school budget for each fiscal year of the Board no later than 60 days after the beginning of the fiscal year of the Board to which such budget relates; and

WHEREAS, the Board is to bring educational stability to the system and is empowered and directed by the General Assembly pursuant to the provisions of Section 34-3.3 of the Code to: (i) increase

services and implement cost-saving measures including the privatization of services where deemed appropriate; and (iii) streamline and strengthen the management of the system, including a responsible school-based budgeting process, in order to focus resources on student achievement; and