

RESOLUTION RE: THE 2002-2003 NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

WHEREAS, national scholars receive scholarships from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation; and

WHEREAS, more than 15,000 national scholarship semifinalists were chosen from an initial

Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT)/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (NMSQT), which served as an initial screening of the more than 1.5 million program entrants from more than 20,000 high schools nationwide; and

WHEREAS, more than 8,000 students were selected as national scholar finalists; and

WHEREAS, finalists had to present an outstanding academic record; be endorsed and recommended by the principal; have PSAT/NMSQT test scores confirmed on a second test; and provide an essay describing activities, interests, and goals; and

WHEREAS, 18 Chicago Public Schools students were awarded national scholarships; and

WHEREAS, Ramon Gougis of Brooks; Katherine Brubaker of Kenwood; Ruben Loyo, Andrew Szatan and Jasmine Dowell of Lincoln Park (Achievement and Merit); Krystal Madkins of Morgan Park; Mary Gallery and Arthur Izak-Damiecki of Northside Coll; Adrienne Glover, Jessica Harmon, Lauren Hawkins, Elizabeth Love, Dabney Lyles, Chika Okafor, Megan Olmsted, Nicholas Pearce, and Chyealla Savage of Young, all fulfilled the prerequisites for the receipt of a scholarship from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation; and