

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION RE: VELMA F. THOMAS,
SENIOR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, after over 54 years of faithful and dedicated service, Velma F. Thomas passed away on November 26, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Velma F. Thomas was born in Chicago and graduated from both a CPS elementary and high school; and

WHEREAS, Velma F. Thomas received her Bachelor's degree in Education from the Chicago Teachers College and her Master's degree in Education Administration from DePaul University and

WHEREAS, Velma F. Thomas taught in the primary, intermediate and upper elementary grades before she was transferred to Central Office in 1965 to establish the parent component of the study