

May 28, 2014

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE GREAT CITY SCHOOLS'
MALES OF COLOR INITIATIVE**

WHEREAS, the Council of the Great City Schools' has adopted an initiative to promote dedicated efforts by urban school systems nationwide to reduce the drop-out rate, increase the academic achievement, attendance and graduation rates and improve the teaching and learning of African American and Hispanic male students ("Males of Color");

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to pledge its support for the Council of the Great City Schools' and the Council's initiative to improve the education outcomes of Males of Color in urban school systems;

WHEREAS, the Board wishes the District to undertake dedicated efforts to ensure all students, including

and become powerful thinkers, effective communicators and engaged learners; and

WHEREAS, the Board is committed to ensuring all students, including Males of Color, are taught to the highest academic standards and prepared for successful participation in our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

The Chief Executive Officer or designee is hereby authorized to pursue activities and strategies to ensure:

1. The District's pre-school efforts are geared to best serve Males of Color and their academic and social