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ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMUNITY
COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
August 5, 2010

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of Illinois

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF TRUSTEE JAMES A. DYSON

WHEREAS, Trustee James A. Dyson, whose original Board appointment dates back to July 1988, is the longest serving current member of the Board of Trustees of the City Colleges of Chicago;

WHEREAS, Mr. Dyson has unfailingly demonstrated an extraordinary interest in strengthening City Colleges, especially in the areas of Human Resources and The Washburne Culinary School;

WHEREAS, Mr. Dyson was elected as Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees in 1991 and graciously continues to serve in that capacity, and has also served as Acting Chairman of the Board;

WHEREAS, Mr. Dyson previously served as Chairman of the Board's Committee on Human Resource Services and was Chairman of the Board's ad hoc Committee on Academic Standards, which established uniform student testing and placement standards for the District's seven colleges;

WHEREAS, Mr. Dyson is currently the Labor Relations Manager at John H Stroger Jr. Hospital and has a long and noteworthy history in labor relations spanning over four decades: Mr. Dyson, who started as a Business Agent for the Hotel and Restaurant Employee Union, subsequently retired 29 years later as International Vice President responsible for a four-state region;

WHEREAS, in addition to his work with the City Colleges of Chicago, Mr. Dyson has also served on the National Executive Boards of Push/Excel, the A. Philip Randolph Institute and the Black Trade Unions, and he was the lead negotiator for the District in arriving at the first four-year agreement for the Faculty union, Local 1600.

WHEREAS, Mr. Dyson has been the recipient of countless awards and commendations, including:

- The Chicago Visitors' Choice Award (Labor/Industry Supplier)
- Push Rainbow Coalition (Labor-Community Award)
- Community Service and Leadership Award (Holy Cross/Immaculate Heart of Mary)
- The Distinguished Service Award from the Association of Governing Boards of Colleges and Universities.
- Henry Harrison Award, A. Phillip Randolph Institute
- Who's Who, 1992-1993 Edition

WHEREAS, Mr. Dyson, a *gastronome*, is a distinguished member of the Chicago Chapter of Les Amis d'Escoffier, the Chicago Chefs de Cuisine Association, the Chicago Chefs Hall of Fame and Culinary Museum Committee, the Illinois Community College Trustees Association and the Association of Governing Boards;

WHEREAS, Mr. Dyson has been an invaluable asset to the City Colleges of Chicago, guiding the District with the highest levels of integrity and leadership and positioning the District for its next phase of growth;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman, Chancellor and the Board of Trustees wish to express sincere thanks and heartfelt appreciation to Mr. Dyson for his many years of distinguished involvement in furthering the educational advancement of the students of the City Colleges of Chicago;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman, Chancellor and the Board of Trustees commend Mr. James A. Dyson for his significant contributions to the goals and mission of the District and accept his resignation from the Board of Trustees of City Colleges of Chicago.

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