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**ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

SHARON PRAYOR

WHEREAS, as part of Sharon Prayor’s 25-year career as a human resources professional and labor and employment lawyer, she spent 16 of those years at City Colleges of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Sharon first worked at City Colleges as a human resources manager and as City Colleges’ first equal employment officer, altogether for six years; and

WHEREAS, following two years working elsewhere, Sharon returned to City Colleges, spending nine years as the human resources director at Olive-Harvey College, handling the recruitment, hiring and discipline process for all faculty and staff; and

WHEREAS, Sharon was promoted in 2014 to serve as the human resources director at City Colleges’ district office, where she worked directly with executive level Vice Chancellors, Department Heads and other senior level managers to facilitate the coordination and delivery of HR services and served as HR counsel to staff across the District; and

WHEREAS, Sharon was the consummate ambassador of the Human Resources function and by her passion, knowledge and kindness, she showed that you can be extremely effective and still let your personality shine in every aspect of the job; and

WHEREAS, Sharon’s thoughtful and timely responses helped ensure City Colleges staff received the benefits they earned and that even difficult situations were handled with tact and efficiency; and

WHEREAS, colleagues consulted Sharon’s vast HR knowledge on a daily basis, and benefited from her genuine spirit, caring attitude, honesty, and sense of humor; and

WHEREAS, Sharon was a supportive team player always ready to lend a helping hand with a sincerity that gained the trust of everyone she met; and

WHEREAS, Sharon’s love of her sorority sisters, her godchildren Courtney, Matthew and Taylor, the Cayman Islands, lemon drops and polka dots was well known; and

WHEREAS, those of us who had the good fortune to know Sharon will remember her big smile, her bear hugs and her world-famous peach cobbler; and

WHEREAS, Sharon is survived by her extended City Colleges family, her father, Albert Prayor and stepmother, Annette Prayor; and

WHEREAS, Sharon was taken from this life too early, passing away this past weekend;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the staff of City Colleges of Chicago, we hereby commemorate the life and work of Sharon Prayor.