

March 26, 2008

**DESIGNATE JOSHUA D. KERSHAW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AS A MAGNET SCHOOL, CHANGE  
THE SCHOOL'S EDUCATIONAL FOCUS TO AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMME**


**AND CHANGE THE SCHOOL'S NAME TO JOSHUA D. KERSHAW ELEMENTARY MAGNET SCHOOL**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:**

That the Board approve the designation of Joshua D. Kershaw Elementary School (unit # 54270), located at 6450 S. Lowe Avenue, as a magnet school, change the school's educational focus to an International

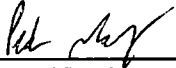
**FINANCIAL:** CPS has received a grant from the United States Department of Education in the amount of \$10,107,216.00 to support the establishment of five new magnet schools including Kershaw. Subject to the guidelines for establishing magnet schools, beginning in 2008, the Bureau of Student Transportation will need to establish bus routes for the new magnet school.

Approved for Consideration:



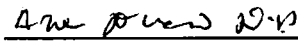
Barbara Eason-Watkins  
Chief Education Officer

Within Appropriation:



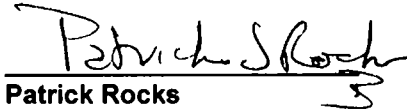
Pedro Martinez  
Chief Financial Officer

Approved:



Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to legal form: 



Patrick Rocks  
General Counsel