



## **PROCLAMATION OF APPRECIATION FOR JENNIFER REDDY**

Whereas Jennifer Reddy was elected by the citizens of Oak Park to serve on the District 97 Board of Education on April 7, 2009; and

Whereas Jennifer Reddy faithfully served as a member of the board, served as the board liaison to the Collaboration for Early Childhood Care and Education, and provided leadership on several district and community committees that were critical to ensuring that the children of Oak Park had access to a high-quality education, including the Finance Oversight and Review Committee, the Research Review Committee, the Policy Committee, and the Benefits Committee; and

Whereas Jennifer Reddy's commitment to sharing information with the general public in a timely and transparent manner generated community-wide support for the district and was instrumental in the successful passage of the referendum in April; and

Whereas Jennifer Reddy's belief in the importance of two-way communication contributed to the establishment of the Committee for Collaborative Communication, upon which she served as a member, and strengthened the district's relationships with its stakeholders; and

Whereas Jennifer Reddy's advocacy for the increased integration of technology in the classroom and its improved use in communicating with the citizens of Oak Park played a pivotal role in the district's creation of a comprehensive five-year technology plan, which will help our children develop into active thinkers and learners, and the redesign of its family of Web sites, which will enable people to navigate the district more easily and keep them engaged in the educational process; and

Whereas Jennifer Reddy's dedication to building on the academic excellence that is the hallmark of our schools resulted in the ongoing successful implementation of the district's current five-year strategic plan, the implementation of the district's full-day kindergarten program, the recruitment and hiring of Dr. Al Roberts as the superintendent, and the district's earning of a Bright Red Apple Award for educational excellence in 2009 and 2010; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the District 97 Board of Education that it affirms the aforementioned accomplishments of Jennifer Reddy; and

Be It Further Resolved that the District 97 Board of Education expresses its appreciation and gratitude to Jennifer Reddy on behalf of the District 97 community for her exemplary leadership during her two years as a member of the board.

Proclaimed on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September 2011.