WHEREAS, The Cincinnati Public Schools (CPS) District has a rich heritage and tradition of outstanding athletic programs, teams, coaches and athletes who have made great contributions towards immense athletic accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the need to perpetuate the memory of those exceptional people who brought honor to the schools and who can serve as role models for present and future generations, the District hereby organizes the “Athletic Hall of Fame of the Cincinnati Public Schools,” sponsored by the Student Activity Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the “Athletic Hall of Fame of the Cincinnati Public Schools” will commemorate the heritage, spirit and significance of interscholastic sports, coaches and athletes who have educated, contributed to the athletic programs of the CPS High School teams, maintained pride in the athletic traditions of the community and inspired others through outstanding athletic achievements; and

WHEREAS, induction into the “Athletic Hall of Fame of the Cincinnati Public Schools” is based solely upon High School Athletic accomplishments in sports officially recognized by the Ohio High School Athletic Association or other chartered District associates; and

WHEREAS, nominations in the “Athletic Hall of Fame of the Cincinnati Public Schools” are open to all male and female athletes and coaches, living or deceased, who have distinguished themselves in interscholastic athletic competition as part of a CPS High School team; and

WHEREAS, the “Athletic Hall of Fame of the Cincinnati Public Schools” will be governed by a Hall of Fame Executive Committee comprised of at least five (5) voting members; and

WHEREAS, a Hall of Fame Selection Committee will be comprised of fifteen (15) voting members who will meet annually to select inductees based on the criteria specified in the By-Laws of the “Athletic Hall of Fame of the Cincinnati Public Schools;” and

WHEREAS, inductees or inductee representatives will be honored at an Induction Ceremony determined by the Hall of Fame Executive Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Cincinnati Board of Education establishes the creation of the “Athletic Hall of Fame of the Cincinnati Public Schools,” sponsored by the Student Activity Foundation; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That the “Athletic Hall of Fame of the Cincinnati Public Schools” shall set forth the framework to organize and govern outstanding athletes, coaches and programs.

A. Chris Nelms