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ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Chapter 64 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by adding a new Section 9-64-002, as follows:

9-68-035 Educational Parking Permits.

a) An educational parking permit program (for purposes of this section, "Program") is hereby established, whereby school employees may legally park on streets adjacent to the school where they are employed during school hours.

b) If a school has off-street parking for less than eighty percent of its employees, it may petition the alderman of the ward in which it is located for an educational permit parking area (for purposes of this section, "Program Area"). If the threshold is met, the alderman may consult with the Commissioner of Transportation to determine what streets adjacent to the school can be purposed as an educational permit parking area for its employees to park. In determining whether to create an educational permit parking area, and the size of the area, the Commissioner may consider the amount of off-street parking the permit has, the availability of on-street parking, the use and zoning of the adjacent properties, and the distance of the school to public transportation.

c) The operation of the Program shall be 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on school days. During the days and times that the program is in effect, parking on streets within the marked Program Area shall be restricted to vehicles bearing the educational parking permit issued in accordance with subsection (e) of this ordinance.

d) Upon the posting of appropriate signs within the Program Area, that area shall be deemed, during the days and times that the Program is in effect, an officially designated and marked "tow zone" for purposes of Section 9-92-030(f) of the Code. Any vehicle parked within the Program Area during the days and times that the Program is in effect, and which does not bear a Program Area parking permit issued in accordance with subsection (e) of this section shall be subject to an immediate tow. In addition, during such days and times that the Program is in effect, the Program Area shall be considered to be a residential parking permit zone for purposes of Section 9-64-090(e) and the penalty applicable for violations thereof shall apply. However, the display of an overlapping residential parking permit within the Program Area during Program hours without the display of an educational parking permit shall not be sufficient to park in the Program Area during program operation hours.

e) The alderman of the ward in which the school is located shall administer the distribution of educational parking permits, without charge, to employees of the subject school. School employees wanting an educational parking permit will tender a letter from the school administrator or principal to the alderman to establish proof of employment. Educational parking permits shall be valid from August 1 until July 31, each year, with each year requiring a new permit. Educational parking permits are not transferable and each such permit shall only be valid when affixed to the vehicle to which it was assigned. No educational parking permit shall be issued to a person owning a vehicle eligible for immobilization pursuant to Section 9-100-120 or other applicable provision of the Code. No Program Area parking permit shall be issued to a vehicle unless such vehicle also displays a wheel tax license emblem. Educational parking permits shall only be available to employees of the school for which they are issued and may not be transferred to non-employees. Use of an educational parking permit by a non-employee shall be a violation of this ordinance.

f) The Department of Transportation shall cause appropriate signs to be placed, erected, and maintained on designated streets indicating the educational permit parking area

and the times during which such restriction is effective, and identifying the area as a "tow zone" during those times.

(g) It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle in violation of signs erected and maintained pursuant to Subsection (f) of this ordinance. A violation of this section shall be deemed a violation of Section 9-64-090(e) of the Municipal Code of Chicago and shall subject the respondent to the fine for a violation of that section; in addition, violation of this section shall be cause for immediate removal of the vehicle pursuant to Section 9-92-030(f) of the Municipal Code of Chicago.