

AUTHORIZE TUITION PAYMENTS TO NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Authorize tuition payments to Northeastern Illinois University for graduate level coursework used by the Office of Language, Cultural and Early Childhood Education at a cost not to exceed \$111,300. These services are part of a 3-year English as a Second Language (ESL) endorsement project, which was approved by the U.S. Department of Education on July 29, 1999 in connection with an IASA Title VII grant application. This is the third and final year of the project with coursework commencing August 2001. No agreement is required for tuition payments. Information pertinent to this document is stated below.

SPECIFICATION No.: 01-250293

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PAYMENT PERIOD: Payments are authorized for university courses provided from August 2001 through June 2002.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Northeastern Illinois University, through this three-year, IASA Title VII Training for All Teachers Project, will organize and implement courses needed by CPS teachers to fulfill the requirements for obtaining an Illinois ESL endorsement. The university will provide individualized professional development plans for teachers involved in the program along with technology training to be incorporated in the classroom. The university will also provide professional development workshops for both teachers and administrators.

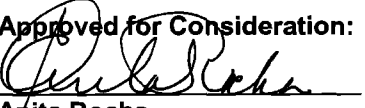
OUTCOMES: A cohort of 60 CPS general education program teachers will successfully complete all coursework required toward the attainment of an Illinois ESL endorsement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 3.7 of the M/WBE Plan, this contract is exempt from review under the M/WBE Plan due to the fact that the award will be used to pay tuition.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Language, Cultural and Early Childhood Education: \$111,300.00
Budget Classification: 0930-268-167-7946-5560
Source of Funds: U. S. Department of Education, IASA Title VII
Fiscal Year: 2002

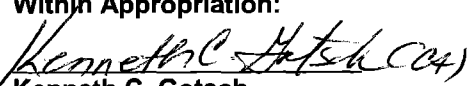
Approved for Consideration:


Anita Rocha
Acting Chief Purchasing Officer

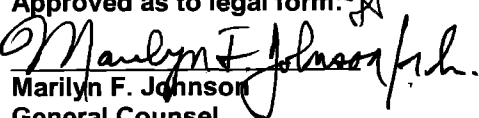
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer *by PAD*

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form: *hw*


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel