APPROVE TUITION PAYMENTS TO DEPAUL UNIVERSITY FOR THE ASIAN AND ASIAN AMERICAN OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve payment of tuition to DePaul University for undergraduate level coursework monitored by the Office of Language and Cultural Education for the CPS/DePaul Asian and Asian American Opportunities Program (DAAAO) at a cost not to exceed \$105,600.00. The coursework provided will enable 50 CPS high school students to attend three semesters of classes at DePaul University where they will study an Asian Language as well as Asian and Asian American history and sociology. No written agreement for this program is required. Information pertaining to this program is stated below.

Specification No. 03-250193

UNIVERSITY: DePaul University

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PAYMENT PERIOD: Tuition payments are authorized for university courses scheduled from September 10, 2003 through June 11, 2004.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: The DePaul University Asian and Asian American Opportunities (DAAAO) Program, in connection with Chicago Public Schools' Office of Language and Cultural Education, will provide coursework for a cohort of 50 CPS high school students in the areas of Asian World Languages (Chinese and Japanese), as well as Asian and Asian American history and sociology. The program is a two-year academic program representing a collaborative venture between DePaul University and Chicago Public Schools. The DAAAO Program will provide college credit hours to students upon completion, and will also fulfill high school elective requirements.

Year one of the DAAAO Program includes Fall and Winter 2003 and Spring 2004 quarters. Students will receive 12 credit hours per student, and 50 students will participate. The cost of the courses is \$176.00 per credit hour. The total cost calculation is as follows: 12 credit hours per student at a rate of \$176.00 per credit hour for 50 students, which totals \$105,600.00.

OUTCOMES: A cohort of 50 CPS students will demonstrate knowledge of an Asian language as well as of an understanding of historical and contemporary issues regarding the Asian and Asian American community.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to section 3.7 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE) this contract is *exempt* from review because the contract is for tuition payment.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to the Office of High School Development: \$105,600.00

Budget Classification: 0470-210-000-1720-5560

Source of Funds: General Funds

Fiscal Year: 2004

Approved for Consideration:

Sean P. Murphy Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

Approved as to legal form:

Ruth Moscovitch **General Counsel** Approved:

Arne Duncan

Chief Executive Officer