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## RESCIND BOARD REPORTS 09-1216-AR2; 09-1216-AR3; 09-1216-AR5; 09-1216-AR6 APPROVE SETTLEMENT OF DEBARMENT AGAINST PROVEN BUSINESS SYSTEMS, LLC

## THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") rescind the permanent debarment of PROVEN BUSINESS SYSTEMS, LLC ("Proven"), and its agents JOHN COSICH, JEFFREY JOHNSON, and JAMES WEBB, ("Respondents") in settlement of the debarment matter against them under Section 6.2 of the Board's Debarment Policy, 08-1217-P01.

The Respondents were debarred by the Board at its meeting on December 16, 2009 following the Office of the Inspector General's recommendations in Report 07-C-383.

In February 2017, Proven made an application to reduce or waive the duration or scope of the Debarment or cancel the Debarment under Section 6.3 of the Board's Debarment Policy, 08-1217-P01. Proven enumerated mitigating factors, improvements in Proven's ethics training and strengthened control procedures. Proven has agreed to pay restitution to the Board in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) and submit to a period of twelve (12) months of independent monitoring.

The General Counsel recommends the Board accept this settlement.

LSC REVIEW:

LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

**AFFIRMATIVE** 

**ACTION STATUS:** 

Affirmative Action review is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

None.

**GENERAL** 

**CONDITIONS:** 

None.

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APPROVED:

JORGE MACIAS, Chief Administrative Officer

APPROVEDAS TO/LEGAL FORM:

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General Counsel