AUTHORIZE TUITION PAYMENTS TO NATIONAL LOUIS UNIVERSITY FOR AN ALTERNATIVE ROUTE TO CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize tuition payments to National Louis University for graduate level coursework offered from August 1, 2003 through December 31, 2005 for up to 45 CPS teacher-interns participating in the Alternative Route to Certification Program at a cost not to exceed \$180,000. No written agreement is required for tuition payments. Information pertinent to this matter is stated below.

Specification No.: 03-250171

UNIVERSITY: National Louis University

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PAYMENT PERIOD: Payments are authorized for National Louis University courses provided between August 1, 2003 and December 31, 2005.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: National Louis University will provide a total of 22 graduate credit hours toward secondary certification or 23 graduate credit hours toward elementary certification to 45 CPS teacher-interns to fulfill the requirements for an Illinois Initial Teaching Certificate (Type 03 or 09). Teacher-interns who provide classroom instruction at an assigned Chicago Public School in program year 1 will hold either a Type 29 or Type 39 while pursing their Illinois Provisional Alternative Teaching Certificate. Teacher-interns who have met the coursework requirements and have passed the subject matter test prior to program year 2 will apply for and be issued an Illinois Provisional Alternative Teaching Certificate. In program year 2, teacher interns will pursue their Illinois Initial Teaching Certificate. Teacher-interns will be required to complete all coursework and certification requirements by December 31, 2005.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES: 45 CPS teacher-interns will fulfill coursework requirements to receive an Illinois Initial Teaching Certificate in order to fill critical CPS teacher shortages.

COMPENSATION: The University will be compensated up to \$4,000 per teacher-intern, up to a maximum amount of \$180,000 over the payment period.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to section 3.7 for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan), this contract is exempt from review because the contract is a university.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Routes to Teaching: \$180,000.00

Budget Classification: 0710-239-821-1575-5560

Approved for Consideration:

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Within Appropriation; k

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Approved as to legal form:

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