APPROVE THE PLAN FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION FOR DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS IN THE CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 18-8.05(H) OF THE ILLINOIS SCHOOL CODE, AS REVISED BY P.A. 90-548

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the Plan for the Improvement of Instruction for Disadvantaged Students in the Chicago Public Schools to be submitted by December 1, 2003, to the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) for the 2003-2004 school year, as required in Section 18-8.05(H) of The Illinois School Code, as revised by P.A. 90-548. A copy of the Plan is on file in the Office of the Board.

DESCRIPTION: This Plan has been developed in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Illinois State Board of Education and provides for a broad spectrum of activities which enriches the quality of the educational program in each school by providing additional instructional and supportive services to children.

A minimum of \$261 million is to be earmarked for supplementary programs in fiscal 2004. The regulations require that a Plan for the expenditure of these funds be submitted to the ISBE by December 1, 2003.

LSC REVIEW: Plans for the use of Supplemental General State Aid, formerly State Chapter 1, have been approved by the local school councils.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REVIEW: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: Total appropriations for the Plan are provided in the 2003-2004 School Budget.

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: Implementation of this Board action may result in the establishment of new school-level positions during the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

Approved:

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