APPROVE EXERCISING THE OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT F/K/A DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING RELATING TO THE CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS' TEACHER HOMEBUYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the option to renew the agreement with the City of Chicago Department of Community Development (DCD) f/k/a Department of Housing (DOH), including any successor department or agency to implement the CPS/DCD Teacher Homebuyer Assistance Program ("Program") which will fund loans to qualified CPS teachers who are first-time homebuyers in Chicago during calendar year 2010. The DCD will make a grant of \$350,000 to be matched by the Board for a total of \$700,000. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No matching funds shall be provided by the Board during the option period prior to the execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

AGENCY:

City of Chicago Department of Community Development (DCD)

f/k/a Department of Housing (DOH)

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ORIGINAL AGREEMENT: The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report 08-0123-PR16) in the amount of \$700,000 is for a term commencing February 1, 2008 and ending January 31, 2009, with the Board having two options to renew for one year each. The agreement was renewed (authorized by Board Report (09-0128-PR18) for a term commencing February 1, 2009 and ending January 31, 2010.

OPTION PERIOD: The term of this agreement is being extended for one year commencing February 1, 2010 and ending January 31, 2011.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING: There is no option remaining.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: The CPS/DCD Teacher Homebuyer Assistance Program will continue to provide assistance to eligible Chicago Public School Teachers to purchase homes within the City of Chicago. Assistance is being granted in order to provide an incentive for teachers to purchase homes within the communities in which they teach and to retain teachers within the Chicago Public School System. This is a joint program that is being funded by the Board and the City of Chicago through the Department of Community Development. The loan will be forgiven over a five year period. Loan proceeds may be used to cover eligible mortgage related expenses. A lien will be placed on the property and will be removed after the five year period. If a teacher moves, resigns, or is removed from employment during the five year period, the remaining balance will be due and payable. The amount of assistance will be \$3,000 citywide or \$7,500 for purchase in mixed-income communities of the Chicago Housing Authority.

In order to qualify for participation in the Program, teachers must 1) be a non-probationary full-time CPS teacher in good standing with the Chicago Public Schools for at least one academic year, 2) purchase a single-family property (1-4 units) within the City of Chicago, 3) reside in the acquired home as a primary residence for at least five years after acquisition, 4) be a first-time homebuyer as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (the only exception will be for teachers who owned property while living outside the City of Chicago and who are buying property in order to reside within the City of Chicago), 5) must utilize a participating CPS designated lender and 6) be committed to teach an additional five years at CPS.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARTIES: CPS will continue to: 1) manage the program; 2) confirm qualifications of each CPS teacher; 3) provide required teacher first-time homebuyer education; 4) distribute funds at each teacher's closing; and 5) provide monthly reports to CPS and the DCD. DCD will continue to: 1) provide annual funding for this program; and 2) provide any necessary technical assistance for the success of the program.

CONTRIBUTION: In the calendar year 2010, DCD will provide \$350,000 which will be matched by the Board in FY 2010 for a total of \$700,000.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written option document. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the option document. Authorize the Executive Officer for Human Resources to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Exempt.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Department of Human Resources: \$350,000 Fiscal Year: 2011

Budget Classification: 11070-115-54125-264212-000000

Source of Funds: General Funds

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board member during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

Opal L. Walls

Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

Christina Herzog

Acting Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:

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