## DEBARMENT OF LOUIS JAMES, LORI JAMES, LESLIE LAMONT BRYANT, and LOVE TO SERVE, INC.

## THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") fully and permanently debar LOUIS JAMES, LORI JAMES, LESLIE LAMONT BRYANT, and LOVE TO SERVE, INC (collectively, "Respondents") from doing any business with the Board.

On June 23, 2012, the Board's Chief Purchasing Officer filed and served on Respondents a Notice of Proposed Debarment ("Notice"), initiating interim constraints and a debarment proceeding against them, based upon Respondents' improper conduct relating to bills, invoices, and claims in violation of sections 2(i)(1) - (3), (6) & (7) of the Debarment Policy. Louis James failed to admit or deny the allegations set forth in the Notice. Section 4.5(d) of the Debarment Policy provides that a failure to respond "to any allegation in the Notice shall be deemed an admission of that allegation," and that if "Respondent[s] fail to file a timely Answer to the Notice . . . all of the allegations . . . shall be deemed to be admitted." The remaining Respondents filed a response to the Notice but failed to produce evidence refuting the allegations set forth in the Notice.

Based on the facts set forth in the Notice, the Chief Administrative Officer, Tim Cawley, recommends that the Board fully and permanently debar all Respondents from doing any business with the Board, effective immediately.

Chief Administrative Office

**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.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

James L. Bebley General Counsel