## AUTHORIZE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT AND BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND FIREARMS (ATF) GANG RESISTANCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING (G.R.E.A.T.) CURRICULUM IN FOUR CHICAGO PUBLIIC SCHOOLS

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the implementation of the Chicago Police Department and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF) Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) Curriculum in four Chicago Public Schools. This curriculum is being donated by the Chicago Police Department. No written contract is required for this program.

## PARTICIPANTS:

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**PROGRAM:** The G.R.E.A.T. curriculum will be taught to all 7<sup>th</sup> grade classes in participating schools. The goal of the G.R.E.A.T. program is to prevent adolescent involvement in gangs, criminal behavior and violence. Each G.R.E.A.T. class will meet once a week for 45 minutes. Classes will be taught by the Chicago police officers from the Prevention Unit trained in the G.R.E.A.T. curriculum. A CPS classroom teacher will be present in the classroom during the classes taught by the Chicago police officers. Evaluation of the program will be conducted by the Chicago Police Department and the Department of ATF. The four Chicago public schools participating in the program are Jamieson, Ruggles, Ft. Dearborn, and Carpenter.

**BOARD'S COMMITMENT:** The Board shall supply classrooms, and monitoring teachers.

CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT'S COMMITMENT: The Chicago Police Department shall provide the trainers, the curricular materials, teacher's manual and student handbooks and incentives such as tee-shirts and medals.

**TERM OF PROGRAM:** This program will run from January 2001 to Spring 2001(finishing approximately the first week in April)

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not required.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board.

## **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 members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), 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:

Approved:

**Cozette Buckney** 

Chief Education Officer

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Within Appropriation:

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