REPORT OF THE RESULTS OF THE BOARD'S REVIEW OF THE FINDINGS OF FACT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEARING OFFICER REGARDING THE CHARGES PREFERRED AGAINST EVELYN PEREZ-PIETRUSZKA, A TENURED TEACHER ASSIGNED TO HAMMOND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

TO THE CHICAGO BOARD OF EDUCATION:

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING ACTION:

That the results of the Board's review of findings of fact and recommendation of the Hearing Officer regarding the charges preferred against Evelyn Perez-Pietruszka be reported.

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to Section 34-85 of the Illinois School Code, 105 ILCS 5/34-85, a tenured teacher is entitled to a hearing before an impartial hearing officer appointed by the Illinois State Board of Education. The hearing officer shall report to the Chief Executive Officer findings of fact and a recommendation as to whether or not the teacher shall be dismissed from the Chicago Board of Education's employ. The Chicago Board of Education, after receiving the hearing officer's findings of fact and recommendation, shall make a decision as to whether the teacher shall be dismissed from its employ.

On July 19, 2006, Barry Simon, a hearing officer appointed by the Illinois State Board of Education, issued his written report and decision recommending that Evelyn Perez-Pietruszka be reinstated by the Chicago Board of Education. Thereafter, the members of the Chicago Board of Education reviewed the transcript of the proceedings, including exhibits and positions of the parties, along with the recommendation of the hearing officer, and determined that it would reject/adopt the hearing officer's conclusions of law, and reject/accept his recommendation, and dismiss/reinstate Evelyn Perez-Pietruszka. The Board will issue an Opinion and Order that details its analysis and findings.

LSC REVIEW: LSC Review is not applicable to this Report.

AFFIRMATIVE

ACTION STATUS: None

FINANCIAL: None

PERSONNEL

IMPLICATIONS: None

Respectfully submitted,

Arne Duncan

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Approved as to legal form:

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