## APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF LITTLE VILLAGE ACADEMY IN AN 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE EDUCATIONAL TOUR OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of up to fifty (50) Little Village Academy 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in an educational tour to Washington, D.C. from May 10, 2007 through May 12, 2007.

**USER:** Little Village Academy

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Elsa Carmona, Principal

**PROGRAM:** Little Village Academy students will study historical sites in Washington, D.C. as it pertains to past and current events. Students will participate proactively in the study of United States Government and expand their experience and knowledge of cultural and economic history in the U.S.A.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** To visit historical sites which connect with the 8<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum. To learn more about the impact of these historic sites, which the students studied throughout the school year, as they pertain to their present lives.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program are being made by Travel Services, Inc., 5158 West 127<sup>th</sup> Street, Alsip, Illinois 60803, (708) 489-0796.

**COST:** The per person cost is \$600.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel, costs, health and accident insurance, and trip cancellation insurance. The costs will be paid by student fees and fundraising.

**CHAPERONES:** Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01 ("Policy on Student Travel") including proper ratio of students to adults.

Traveling with students will be: Ms. Ivette Loza (Teacher), Ms. Hillary Naught (Teacher), Mr. Michael Sherman (Teacher), Mr. Manuel Juarez (Teacher), Mr. Greg Aparicio (Community Coordinator) and Maria Martinez (Parent Volunteer).

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Little Village Academy.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any travel agreements necessary for this program.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This action was approved by the LSC for Little Village Academy on March 20, 2007.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board.

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – Each party to any 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 – Any 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.

Contingent Liability - Any 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:

Barbara Eason - Wartins Barbara Eason-Watkins **Chief Education Officer** 

Noted:

Chief Financial Officer

Approved:

**Arne Duncan** 

**Chief Executive Officer** 

Approved as to legal form:

**General Counsel**