BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508 County of Cook and State of Illinois JUL 1 - 1999

COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

PHONE PILOT PROJECT OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DISTRICT OFFICE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that OIT recommends the purchase of an Internet Protocol (IP) telephony starter kit to implement a voice over IP phone pilot project for the District; and that the telephony kit includes 10 speaker phones, one 25-user license CD ROM software package, and one four-port analog gateway (for Centrex connection), available from Ameritech at a total cost of \$12,545.00; and

that this pilot project will allow OIT to begin feasibility testing of a network-based phone system which could eventually augment or replace the current Centrex and any other type of traditional PBX switch type phone service; and that the pilot will also allow OIT to evaluate server-based voice mail, alternate waiting indicators and improved call accounting; and that the pilot includes all phones, software and interface hardware necessary to perform a complete test; and

that this purchase of telecommunications equipment and software is exempt from competitive bidding and M/WBE requirements.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees approves the issuance of a purchase order in the total amount of \$12,545.00 to Ameritech, Chicago, for the purchase of the Internet Protocol Telephony Starter kit as described above.

FINANCIAL

\$12,545.00 -- Technology Enhancement Grant Fund

Respectfully submitted:

Wayne D. Watson Chancellor