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BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of Illinois

NETWORKING EQUIPMENT
CISCO NETWORKING ACADEMY PROGRAM
DALEY COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS that there is a need to purchase Cisco routers, switches and cabling to upgrade the Cisco Networking Academy Program Lab at Daley College; and

that this equipment is available through SIGMANet, Diamond Bar, CA, which is the sole distributor of Cisco equipment for educational institutions, including Daley College, that are approved by Cisco to participate in the Networking Academy Program; SIGMANet has proposed to provide the necessary equipment, including one-year warranties and software upgrades for a total cost of \$12,953.50, which includes the academic discount; staff has reviewed the proposal from SIGMANet and recommends approval; this sole source purchase is exempt from the District's competitive bidding requirements; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced agreement opportunity and has determined that since this is sole-source related, this agreement is outside of the policies and procedures for M/WBE participation.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS that the Board of Trustees approves the issuance of a purchase order in the total amount of \$12,953.50 to SIGMANet, Diamond Bar, CA for the purchase of the Cisco networking equipment, and authorizes the Chairman to enter into a one-year agreement for the associated Smartnet warranty and software upgrades for the Cisco Networking Academy Program at Daley College.

FINANCIAL \$12,953.50 – Education Fund

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

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