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As the City Colleges of Chicago approaches its 100th anniversary in 2011, we are acutely aware of the rapid pace of change in our world. Driven by powerful forces including advances in communications, technology and supply-chaining, global commerce and competition is emerging throughout the Chicagoland economy as it is around the world. The needs and expectations of employers are changing, and a new global community is at hand. We must prepare our graduates for success in this changing environment whether transferring to a four-year college or university to continue their education or joining the workforce. And, we must prepare our graduates for global citizenship. Accordingly, Vision 2011 represents our plan to respond to these changing needs and opportunities.

Our new vision contains words such as "premier," "first choice," "accessible," "diverse," "excellence," "leadership," "inspire," "transform," "enhance," and "catalyze positive social change." These words reflect how we wish to be known and recognized. They represent not only our vision and aspiration, but our direction and goal.

Congratulations and thanks to the faculty, staff, administrators, and students who comprised the Vision 2011 team as well as the external participants who contributed invaluable input. Without their enthusiasm, dedication, and hard work, such a high-quality, relevant, and exciting strategic plan would not have been possible.

As we contemplate our 100th anniversary, we reflect upon our proud history and the millions of lives we have touched throughout the decades. And we look forward with anticipation and excitement toward the future which holds such promise.

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees ratify, adopt and authorize the implementation of Vision 2011: Strategic Plan 2006 – 2011, the official strategic plan of the City Colleges of Chicago.

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None (no cost).

Respectfully Submitted,

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Chancellor

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