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**ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
AUGUST 3, 2017**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**PURCHASE OF PRODUCE AND SPECIALTY ITEMS
TESTA PRODUCE COMPANY
WASHBURNE CULINARY AND HOSPITALITY INSTITUTE
KENNEDY-KING COLLEGE**

THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:

that the Board of Trustees approves the issuance of a purchase order to Testa Produce Company for the purchase of produce goods at a total cost not to exceed \$100,000.

VENDOR: Testa Produce Company
4555 South Racine
Chicago Illinois 60609

USER: Kennedy-King College, Washburne Culinary and Hospitality Institute

TERM:

The original term of this purchase shall commence on August 3, 2017 and shall end on August 2, 2019 with two (2) additional options to renew for one (1) year each.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Testa Produce Company will provide fresh produce, specialty items and full access to its Farm Logix program for the Washburne Culinary and Hospitality Institute in support of culinary instruction and catering.

BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:

A key success factor for the Washburne Culinary Institute (WCI) is providing students with exposure to a wide variety of produce. Developing individual contracts with the volume of distributors necessary to provide an adequate amount of exposure has been a challenge, nor is that model administratively efficient. This relationship is a great alternative. Buying from Testa Produce Company and the FarmLogix program will provide access to over 300 local farms through one distributor. Farmers truck in orders to one of three FarmLogix aggregation centers who will then deliver to WCI and issue only one invoice instead of many from multiple farms.

Additionally, the local farmers are focused on providing healthy and fresh foods. This is a core mission for WCI; exposing WCI students and the KKC community with access to healthy eating (WCI feeds a large of segment of the community via its Sikia, the Parrot Cage and Fountain Café restaurants). Lastly, the online system will assist with inventory management and the timely ordering of items that are low on stock.

DELIVERABLES:

Testa Produce Company will provide WCI with full access to the Farm Logix program and deliver fresh produce and specialty items as needed.

VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:

Testa Produce will be used by Washburne Culinary and Hospitality Institute as the distributor for perishable food items. Pursuant to state law, perishable goods are exempt from the District’s competitive bidding requirements.

MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:

The Office of Contract Compliance has reviewed the above-referenced renewal request and recommends a continued waiver of the Board Approved Participation Plan due to the nature of the agreement (online ordering service) and in turn, no opportunities for subcontracting.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General- It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the Inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General’s authority under Article 2, Section 2.7.4(b) of the Board Bylaws.

Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable Provisions of the Board’s Ethics Policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.

Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year.

FINANCIAL:

Total: \$100,000

Charge To: Kennedy-King College, Washburne Culinary and Hospitality Institute

Sources of Funds: Auxiliary & Enterprise Fund

FY18: 540000-07005-1240X00-60000

Respectfully submitted,

**Juan Salgado,
Chancellor**

August 3, 2017 – Kennedy-King College